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ASK YOURSELF

1. What city is the birthplace of Indian Methodism?

2. What and where is "La Perla"?

3. For what is a Brazilian girl thankful?

4. What college is observing its twenty-fifth anniversary with "open house"?

5. Where may one seek Methodist missionary information?

6. Give the story of Chimman Lal.

7. "A capital investment in a million-dollar business"—Refers to what?

8. "Hymns were sung in six different languages"—Where?

9. In *The Methodist Hymnal*, how many hymns were written by women?

10. How have Harris Memorial students shown their missionary spirit?

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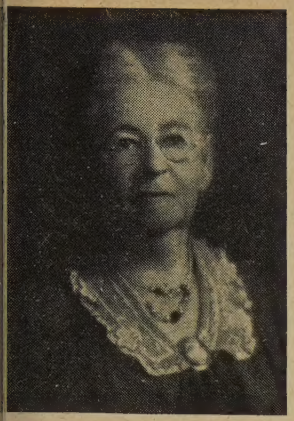

Mrs. Alice Johnson

It is an unusual privilege for the North Alabama Conference to have within its membership a woman whose life covers the entire history of the organization. Such a person is Mrs. Alice Johnson of Birmingham, Alabama, now in her ninety-ninth year.

Conference minutes reveal that Mrs. Johnson held places of leadership for forty-six years, beginning in 1884, when she gave the welcome response at the fourth annual session of the conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. She was elected to the office of conference auditor at that meeting.

In 1886 she accepted the chairmanship of the standing committee on Juvenile Work. For several years she had been lady manager of the Juvenile Missionary Society in her local church.

Mrs. Johnson served successively as editor of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society column in the *Alabama Christian Advocate*, second vice-president, first vice-president, and assistant corresponding secretary. As second vice-president she was charged with the responsibility of Extension of Work, which today we know as Promotion. The by-laws of the auxiliary society at that time read: "Meetings of the society for business and *communication of intelligence* shall be held once a month."

Meanwhile she was active in the conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. She was a district secretary of that organization, 1905 to 1908, when she became conference corresponding secretary.

With the union of the two societies in 1912, Mrs. Johnson was elected conference secretary of Home Work. She was elected superintendent of Social Service in 1917. It was the duty of that officer to "stimulate and direct the study and investigation of social questions." She held this office for thirteen years. When the name was changed to Christian Social Relations, in 1930, she continued to serve as a member of the conference Standing Committee and remained on this committee until her retirement from active service.

It is interesting to note that her activities covered the entire scope of the present organization: Home, Foreign, Christian Social Relations, and Education and Cultivation.

Mrs. Johnson was instrumental in establishing the first piece of Home Mission work in Birmingham, the present Ensley Community House.

A Nursery Tale

The best place in the world for great beginnings is a nursery. The Greatest Beginning of all was in a manger and in an obscure home in Nazareth. Methodism, very fittingly, was born in a nursery. It was the training which the Wesley children received in a crowded nursery from their mother, Susanna Wesley, which was the seed plot of the whole Methodist movement. We are very familiar with the statement that "an institution is the lengthened shadow of a man." The tale of Methodism puts a new twist on that ancient proverb, for it is no exaggeration to say that Methodism "is the lengthened shadow of a woman."

For Susanna Wesley was one of the great mothers of all history. Her training of her boys, particularly John and Charles, the founders of Methodism, was the shaping of a force which has gathered volume for two and a half centuries.

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All this leaves us with a searching question: Are our homes places where, by their climate and spirit, a force for God's Kingdom can be shaped?

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My First Impressions of Puerto Rico

By MARY LOU BARNWELL

"Puerto Rico is an island about 100 miles long and 35 miles wide off the southeastern coast of the United States. It was acquired by the States as 'loot' following the Spanish-American War in 1898."

No less than seven times did I begin the chapter on Puerto Rico in such a manner while teaching *On Our Own Doorstep* in 1948. But it was not until January, 1951, when I made my first visit to this island, that the significance of the information actually reached my heart. It had been vividly tucked away in my mind, pulled out and used on many occasions when presenting the need for missions in the home field. My speeches were filled with things I had read and heard about Puerto Rico. Now they will portray what I *saw* and *felt*.

Perhaps one of the most striking impressions one gains is that of dualism which is evident in every relationship. There is the dual language, the dual culture, the dual education, the dual religious faith, the dual national allegiance, the dual controls—all these leading to frustration, dissatisfaction, and divisiveness rather than peace, security, and unity.

"Belonging to" but not "a part of" the United States is the feeling one senses as she gets into the life of the island. It is very much like an experiment station where the trial-and-error method has brought decided progress in several areas, but wounds inflicted through the errors are lying wide open and are festering with doubt and restlessness.

One is likely to think of Puerto Rico as one great beach, with the Atlantic Ocean on one side and the Caribbean Sea on the other. This visitor was surprised to find the major part of the island very mountainous, uninhabitable, and nonarable. It is reported that there are about 600 persons per square mile on the island. Nearly two and one-half million people are congested in the few cities and towns.

Housing is one of the most serious problems. There are many very lovely homes to be found in the cities, but some of the world's worst slums are located in San Juan. There's "La Perla" (the Pearl), paradoxically named, literally hanging on the bank of the Atlantic Ocean. Row upon row of so-called houses stacked just outside the old city wall serve as homes for 8,000 people. Adjacent to La Perla is the historic cemetery, and a beautiful golf course adjoins that. Beauty versus squalor, riches versus poverty—this is a part of the contrast one finds in Puerto Rico.

La Perla is only one of the slum areas in San Juan. There is El Fanguito, meaning "little mud hole," located in the river marshes, the only home hundreds of Puerto Rican children will ever know.

Although intended to improve housing conditions—and certainly it did—the Eleanor Roosevelt housing project is becoming a different type of slum area. The houses are very small, poorly constructed; the concrete is falling apart and it is discouraging to tenants to try to keep them together. It is a perfect example of a good idea poorly administered.

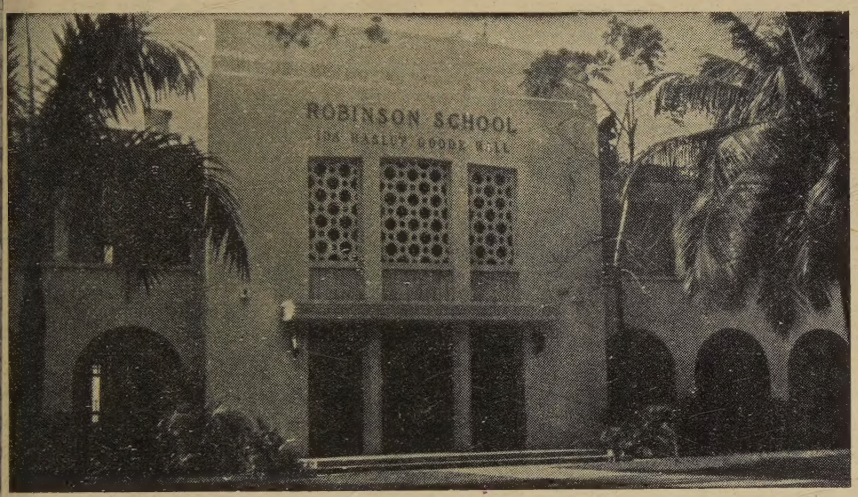
A better project is Puerto Nueno, which is said to be the largest small-unit housing development in the world. It will accommodate 4,500 families, primarily in single units, although some are duplex. With each house there is one-tenth acre of land so that gardening may be encouraged. There is also some development of rural housing projects with one-half acre plots. These houses may be purchased at reasonable costs, and owners are free to make additions and alterations to suit their needs.

The educational system has been a disturbing factor for many years—a political football. Under one administration, English was the basic language for public school teaching. The following administration changed to Spanish. Back and forth it went, with little stability coming to the educational program. Recently, it has been agreed that public school teaching again shall be in Spanish, with English as a subject to be taught. Many of the textbooks are still in English, and must be translated as they are taught. The university is set up with Spanish as the basic language, and only visiting professors from the States teach in English.

Although it is still said that nearly 50 per cent of the children of school age are not in school, this does not mean that all of them have never been in school. However, it is true that about 45 per cent of those entering school drop out upon or before completing the third grade, that only 9 per cent finish high school, that only 2 per cent enter college, and only 1 per cent graduate from college. At least 5,000 additional schoolrooms are needed to provide for the children who should be in school.

The health picture on the island is still not pleasant, although substantial progress has been made. It is now claimed that no more than 40 per cent of the people have hookworm. One is impressed with the number of *clinicas* to be found in towns and cities. On the little island of Vieques, twenty-three miles long and two miles wide, there is a small town called Esperanza, meaning "hope." It is a most hopeless-looking community. All the houses are constructed of used corrugated tin. In this community the Woman's Division cooperates in maintaining a clinic. When this work was opened two years ago, 70 per cent of the people had never seen a doctor or nurse.

They were afraid to come to the clinic. Having won their confidence, it takes nothing more than a pin scratch to send them running to the clinic for a bandage. The clinic also serves as a milk station, opening at 6:30 every morning. Mothers of small children bring four bottles each to be filled with milk for the babies. Upon the death of one baby, for whom the mother had been receiving milk at the clinic, it was discovered that the child had died of starvation. Investigation revealed that an older child, to satisfy her own hunger, had poured the milk from the baby's bottle, refilled it with water, and had drunk the milk herself. Each morning 110 children, two to ten years of age, are served milk at the milk station. They are required to drink the milk at the clinic to safeguard against its being used in some other way. The work of this small clinic is taking hope to Esperanza.



The beautiful entrance to Robinson School, Santurce, Puerto Rico

Naturally, the employment situation is the root of most of the other problems. A great effort has been made to industrialize Puerto Rico. To encourage such a program, a plan was initiated whereby industries going to the island would be tax exempt until 1962. About 116 industries have taken advantage of this offer. Some of them have not lasted. Sugar cane and rum continue to be the primary industries. Diversified farming has been attempted. Usually it has proved more profitable to revert to sugar cane. All this adds up to seasonal employment for most people. In 1947, the per capita income in Puerto Rico was $306, less than half that of the lowest rating state on the mainland. In Vieques, the per capita income is only $52 per year. No industries are located on that island. Sugar cane provides the only form of employment, three or four months annually.

It would be difficult to find more beauty per square mile than is offered in Puerto Rico—the natural beauty of the beaches, the mountains, the coconut palms, the African tulip trees, the flamboyan trees, the luxuriant flowers and shrubbery. Surrounded by and enveloped in all this splendor, hundreds of thousands of people are hungry, are poorly housed, are uneducated, are unemployed, are sick, are without Christ. The plight of the people not only wrings our hearts but bestirs us to try to more adequately meet their needs.

Always we found the attitude toward "continentals" amazingly friendly. There is appreciation for the States, even though there is speculation and question as to why the islanders have been exploited to such a great extent. In spite of the fact that there had been a recent revolution, little evidence of it was apparent. The nationalists number only approximately 4,000. Probably the majority really want independence, but certainly they are seeking a way for security.

The influence of the Protestant Church in the progress on the island must not be minimized. There has been a recognition that the Protestant Church is concerned not only with "a way of life" but the ways of living as well. The George O. Robinson School, with its eighteen day-school units scattered through the Methodist-allotted area of the island, has a significant outreach in education and training for Christian leadership. A meeting of the alumnae association which was held during our visit revealed something of the success of Robinson School. Teachers, secretaries, mothers, Christian leaders in the community paid tribute to Robinson School. Whenever feasible, they are sending their own children to Robinson. Begging that the high school at Robinson be opened to boys, some of the mothers asked, "Don't you think it is just as important to train boys to be Christian leaders as it is to train girls?" Surely that is recognized, and plans have been made to include boys in the high school as soon as some qualified men can be secured to serve on the faculty. At present boys must withdraw from Robinson upon completion of the sixth grade.

The quality of work, of leadership, and of buildings under the auspices of The Methodist Church is commendable. Small or large, the sanctuaries erected by the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension possess a simple dignity combined with attractiveness. All the day-school units in Robinson's extension program are housed in the Methodist churches. A fine spirit of cooperation exists among the school and church leaders. There is much yet to be achieved, but substantial progress is being made.

My heart was strangely moved in Puerto Rico. We came away committed to finding some of the best of our Christian leadership on the mainland to share with her. Wouldn't you like to go?

We—And the Women of India

V. A School for Brides

By DOROTHY CLARKE WILSON

We are going to take some long jumps in this article, which will be much more upsetting for me than for you, because I know I shall want to stay in each place far longer than is possible. I suppose I should jump straight to Buxar and be done with it, but if you are following my progress on the map, you may enjoy knowing how I got there. Besides, I'd never forgive myself if I didn't give you a brief look-in at some of our Woman's Division of Christian Service projects along the way.

Bareilly

I left Lucknow in the middle of December for a two-weeks' visit to Dr. Wiser's village project, known as India Village Service. Since it was a roundabout way whichever direction I might take, I chose a train which took me through Bareilly in order to stop off a couple of days in this birthplace of Indian Methodism. It's really surprising what you can see of a place in a few hours, especially if your guide is an enthusiastic dynamo like Dr. Charles V. Perrill, who, with his wife, Dr. Wilma Conger Perrill, is the heart and brain as well as the skillful surgeon's fingers of our Clara Swain Hospital. They have been working there for ten years, I understand, and the result is an institution of which we Methodists may certainly be proud. A wonderful new building, surprisingly modern and spotless, has just been dedicated, with the Christian Minister of Health, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, one of the participants; and a new chapel and dispensary were going up.

I found the Warne Baby Fold equally fascinating, its combined program of orphanage and school in child-training for young Indian girls supervised by a motherly and efficient Indian woman with very modern educational ideas. Christmas was in the air. Out in the playground a ring of brown cherubs was learning to sing "We Three Kings of Orient Are." I took a picture of one sober-faced mite singing lustily, which I like to entitle "The Choir Leader in Action," and another which my husband thought was a vested choir, but was really the toddlers lined up in their white bibs ready for lunch. I watched them take their places cross-legged on little reed mats about a low table and consume their noonday meal of dal and rice, a few leaves of lettuce, and a tomato. They ate every morsel with the utmost gravity. Not a smile or a word out of them! Remembering the antics of my own two at their meals, I asked, "How?"

Four things I remember especially about Bareilly: the shining hospital; the baby fold; the dank, cellarlike cement cubicle in which I took my daily pour-bath; and a most delicious Indian sweet called *til sakri*, of which I bought for a few annas a large quantity wrapped in newspaper. Did it taste good along with the somewhat monotonous fare of rice and dal and curried vegetables which my Indian *khansama* served me in Marehra!

India Village Service

For it was into the villages that I went next, for nearly two weeks, studying the work of the India Village Service, one of the finest rural missionary experiments in all India. I wish I could tell you about these days in detail, for they were among the most interesting and illuminating of all my experiences. Village life *is* India. Behind the mud walls of her more than 700,000 villages, in indescribable poverty, yet with a gallant courage which I came to admire very deeply, live nearly 90 per cent of her three hundred million people. Their hunger, disease, illiteracy are *our* responsibility. We *must* be concerned about them, if not because they are human beings in need, then because our own future, perhaps that of our civilization, is indissolubly bound with that of these slowly awakening masses of Africa and Asia who constitute perhaps three fourths of the world's population.

Benares

But we must get on more quickly: back to Delhi for Christmas with the Picketts, with real poinsettias in their lovely garden; a quick trip down to Nagpur in Central Provinces, then up to Jubbulpore for a much-too-short visit at our high and normal schools and Leonard Theological Seminary; then on to Benares. The days I spent there were both wonderful and depressing. Hinduism at its best and worst—miles of glorious temples and of filthy alleys, holy men of amazing devotion side by side with charlatans, wise scholars and naked, ash-strewn fanatics, beauty and squalor, wisdom of the ages and its darkest superstitions—all meet and mingle in this strange paradox which is Hinduism.

Mildred Pierce, a teacher at Isabella Thoburn College, met me there, and we traveled on together for the next ten days, an association which proved to be one of the pleasantest that I enjoyed on my entire trip. Mildred was a perfect companion, not only because of her knowledge of the country, but because of her own delightful, friendly personality. And if you have never traveled alone in a strange land

where you don't know a word of the language, you can't know the sheer relief I felt in being able to turn everything over to her expert supervision. She even brought along a fancy red plaid lunch cloth to spread on the bench when we ate our lunches on the train!

Buxar

Ever since my arrival in India I had been hearing that the Brides' School in Buxar was one place I ought to visit, that it was something really unique in the field of missions, so I was delighted when Mildred told me that she had planned a short stopover in this place on our way to the Santal country, which was our real destination. We expected to get into Buxar in midafternoon, have dinner there at the school, and catch the nine-o'clock train for Asansol. However, as so often happens in India, our train was two hours late, so it was dark when we arrived in Buxar, too late to take Kodachromes.

It was not too late, however, to take mental pictures, and in the three hours we had left to us I certainly kept every other sort of camera clicking. So busy was I asking questions and taking notes that I could hardly find time to eat the delicious dinner that had been prepared for us. And Miss Mabel Sheldon, like every person "whom a dream hath possessed," was as eager to talk as we were to listen. It had all begun four years ago, when a Christian boy, Gyan Chand, had brought his young non-Christian, illiterate wife to Miss Sheldon with the plea, "Please, *Missahiba,* can you not do something to help me with my problem?"

Rajmukhi, the young wife, was the problem. Betrothed to her long ago, before becoming a Christian, Gyan Chand had not wanted to marry her. He had refused, in fact, to go to his *Gauna,* one of the later but not final marriage ceremonies, letting a *lota,* brass cup, be substituted for him as proxy. The girl was unattractive, very dark, stoutish, and with too-prominent teeth, and he had developed a positive dislike for her. But her younger sister had also been betrothed to his younger brother, and her father had said, "If you will not take my older daughter, then your brother cannot have my younger daughter, either." So, because his father could not afford two more marriages, Gyan Chand had gone through with the contract. Disgusted, unhappy, he had come to Miss Sheldon, his cowering young wife in tow.

So, with Rajmukhi as its first pupil, the "brides' school" started.

Hindu Brides' School

Each month when the young husband came on an errand to the school, the teachers tried to show her off to him. It soon became a fascinating game. What! Didn't he want to see his bride? Well—yes, he supposed so. Reluctantly he permitted them to bring her, saw her read and write, at one time to his amazement heard her pray in Hindi, to her a foreign language. His interest was aroused. They began to laugh and joke together. He bought her some fruit out of his meager salary of twenty-one rupees (at the present rate of exchange between four and five dollars) a month. Finally, hearing that she had insufficient bedding to keep her warm, he brought her his own blanket. Now they are devoted to each other. When I met her that night, her shining, intelligent, if not too attractive face was an inspiration to behold. After she had been at the school three years, she came one day to Miss Sheldon and said, "I couldn't sleep last night, I had such a heavy weight on my heart. Now can I help my family at home to find this Christian way of life that I have found?" With Miss Sheldon's help she found a way.

Gyan Chand proved to be only one of many Christian boys with such a problem. Married in childhood, often before their families became Christian, and then attending our mission schools, these young men find themselves joined for life to illiterate girls with no knowledge of or sympathy for the way of life they have chosen. It is one of the very real problems which youth has to face in this rapidly changing new India, and Miss Sheldon decided that it was her job to help solve it.

She has turned her whole bungalow into a school for these brides, eighteen of them at present, with three teachers. They hope soon to have a nursery school. The course includes the regular government requirements, with much Bible and Christian education and home economics. The girls do their own cooking, and learn such practical

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Our Hope Fulfilled Through Continued Sharing

By HENRIETTA GIBSON

ANOTHER year of the quadrennium, and the second year of the Advance program of the Woman's Division of Christian Service has passed, and it is time again to survey our fields of work and check to find out what has been accomplished through the increased giving of our members. At the annual meeting of the Woman's Division in December, 1950, upon recommendation from the Department of Work in Foreign Fields and the Department of Work in Home Fields, approval was given for the carrying out of as many more Advance projects as additional funds made possible. Chosen from the original lists of Advance projects and voted to have the next places of priority, these approved projects range all the way from repairs to school buildings to the completion of large building programs at home and abroad, from bringing salaries up to the minimum to providing missionary residences, from audio-visual equipment to training programs for the U.S.-2's (two-year-term workers for the United States) and the A-3's (three-year-term workers for Africa).

These Advance projects approved this year are both recurring and nonrecurring, the recurring made possible by the additional 2.86-percent increased giving for appropriations for the second year, ending May 31, 1950, the nonrecurring made possible by the excess of income over expenditures which an increasing income for appropriations makes available, and by supplementary gifts.

The following list shows some of the projects, recurring and nonrecurring, some within appropriations and some over and above appropriations, all made possible for the Department of Work in Home Fields by Advance giving:

Home Fields

Increased appropriations for Deaconess Pension Fund, Deaconess Bureau and Committee meetings, Fifth Street Community Center, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Deaconess Convocation.

Increases in income to meet rising costs of maintenance to Allen High School, Asheville, North Carolina; Boylan-Haven School, Jacksonville, Florida; Browning Home and Mather Academy, Camden, South Carolina; Elizabeth Ritter Hall, Athens, Tennessee; Holding Institute, Laredo, Texas; National College for Christian Workers, Kansas City, Missouri; Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia; Wood Junior College, Mathiston, Mississippi.

Repairs and improvements to Allen High School, Asheville, North Carolina; Browning Home and Mather Academy, Camden, South Carolina; Elizabeth Ritter Hall, Athens, Tennessee; Erie School, Olive Hill, Kentucky; Holding Institute, Laredo, Texas; Pfeiffer Junior College, Misenheimer, North Carolina; Sue Bennett College, London, Kentucky; Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia; Wood Junior College, Mathiston, Mississippi.

Increased salaries in schools to meet minimum salary as set by Department of Work in Home Fields.

Extension of program in the Shepherds' Summer School at the Navajo Mission School, Farmington, New Mexico.

Increased appropriations for Allen High School, Asheville, North Carolina; Browning Home and Mather Academy, Camden, South Carolina; Elizabeth Ritter Hall, Athens, Tennessee; Holding Institute, Laredo, Texas; National College for Christian Workers, Kansas City, Missouri; Bisti Community Center and Huerfano Mission, Farmington, New Mexico; Paine College, Augusta, Georgia; Pfeiffer Junior College, Misenheimer, North Carolina; Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee; Sue Bennett College, London, Kentucky.

New educational center, Ferrum Junior College, Ferrum, Virginia.

Completion of buildings at National College, Kansas City, Missouri; Bennett College, London, Kentucky; Browning Home and Mather Academy, Camden, South Carolina.

New lighting system for Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida.

New equipment for Freeman Clinic and Newark Hospital, El Paso, Texas; Maynard-MacDougall Memorial Hospital, Nome, Alaska; Seward Sanatorium, Bartlett, Alaska.

Increased appropriations for Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida; Freeman Clinic and Newark Hospital, El Paso, Texas; Hospital Internacional, Santo Domingo; Maynard-MacDougall Memorial Hospital, Nome, Alaska; Medical Mission Dispensary, Boston, Massachusetts.

Remodeling living quarters at Rose Gregory Houchen Settlement, El Paso, Texas.

Funds to help toward a new building for Nurses' Home, Seward, Alaska.

Increased appropriations in the Bureau of Social Welfare at Chautauqua Missionary Cottage, Chautauqua, New York; Ethel Harpst Home, Cedartown, Georgia; Frances DePauw Home, Hollywood, California; Flower Esther Hall, Toledo, Ohio; Lavinia Wallace Young Mission, Nome, Alaska; Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Nebraska; Peek Home for Children, Polo, Illinois; Thoburn Terrace, Alhambra, California; Philadelphia Esther Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Car for Ethel Harpst Home, Cedartown, Georgia.

Repairs and new equipment at Chautauqua Missionary Cottage, Chautauqua, New York; Frances DePauw Home, Hollywood, California; Peek Home, Polo, Illinois; Thoburn Terrace, Alhambra, California.

Repairs and new equipment in the Bureau of Town and Country Work for Dulac Indian Work, Dulac, Louisiana; Hillside Settlement, Central City, Kentucky; McCrum Community House, Uniontown, Pennsylvania; Neighborhood House, Calexico, California; Valley Institute, Pharr, Texas.

Increased appropriations for Cookson Hills Project, Stilwell, Oklahoma; Cumberland County Rural Work, Tennessee; Holston Conference Rural Work; Indian Mission Cooperative Work, Oklahoma; Latin-American Center, San Marcos, Texas; Memphis Conference Rural Work, Tennessee; Methodist Blackfeet Mission, Montana; Neighborhood House, Calexico, California; Ponca Methodist Mission, Ponca City, Oklahoma; Valley Institute, Pharr, Texas.

New appropriations for Central Texas Conference Rural Work, Central Pennsylvania Conference Hughesville Larger Parish, New Hampshire Conference Rural Work, West Wisconsin Rural Work.

Station wagon or car for Blodgett Community House, Hazleton, Pennsylvania; Cumberland County Rural Work, Tennessee; South Georgia Con-

erence Rural Work; Mississippi Rural Work, Yazoo, Mississippi; North Barre Community Center, Barre, Vermont; Pottawattomi Mission, Mayetta, Kansas; Valley Institute, Pharr, Texas.

Increased appropriations in the Bureau of Urban Work for Bethlehem Center, Augusta, Georgia; Bethlehem Center, Charlotte, North Carolina; Bethlehem Center, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Bethlehem Center, Nashville, Tennessee; Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg, South Carolina; Bidwell Deaconess Home and Settlement, Des Moines, Iowa; Homer Toberman Settlement, San Pedro, California; Howard Day Nursery, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Methodist Community House, Grand Rapids, Michigan; New Jersey Conference Deaconess Home, Camden, New Jersey; Riverside Settlement, Des Moines, Iowa; Pearl Street Community House, Youngstown, Ohio; Wesley House, Key West, Florida; Wesley House, Atlanta, Georgia.

Repairs and improvements for Bethlehem Center, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Bethlehem Center, Nashville, Tennessee; Campbell Friendship House, Gary, Indiana; Marcy Center, Chicago, Illinois; Rebecca Williams Community House, Warren, Ohio; St. Mark's Community Center, New Orleans, Louisiana; Whosoever Mission, San Antonio, Texas; Wesley House, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Cars for Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg, South Carolina; Homer Toberman Settlement, San Pedro, California; Little Rock Methodist Council and Aldersgate Camp, Little Rock, Arkansas; Rosa Valdez Settlement, Tampa, Florida; Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Florida.

New gymnasium for Homer Toberman Settlement, San Pedro, California.

Playground property for Miami Latin Center, Miami, Florida, and Whosoever Mission, San Antonio, Texas.

Cabins and assembly hall for Little Rock Methodist Council and Aldersgate Camp, Little Rock, Arkansas.

New appropriation for Seattle Deaconess Settlement, Seattle, Washington.

Training workers in Bureau of Urban Work.

US-2 training program.

Insurance Emergency Fund.

Field worker for recruitment of missionaries, deaconesses, and workers.

The following list shows some of the projects made possible for the Department of Work in Foreign Fields by Advance giving:

Foreign Fields

Additional grant to Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee.

Additional grant for new building to enlarge the facilities of Robincroft Rest Home, Pasadena, California.

Additional grant for cost of living for missionaries.

Residence building, Language School, Tokyo, Japan.

Building for Woman's Christian College, Tokyo, Japan.

Building, Kwassui High School, Nagasaki, Japan.

Classroom building, Hakodate, Japan.

Classroom building, Seiwa, Japan.

Girls' dormitory, Hiroshima College, Japan.

Missionary residence, Philippine Islands.

Audio-visual equipment, Philippine Islands.

Completion of primary building, Bennett College, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Primary building, Colegio Centenario, Santa Maria, Brazil.

Additional classrooms and library, Lima High School, Peru.

Enlargement of primary building, Colegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba, Brazil.

Equipment for Colegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba, Brazil.

Repairs on buildings, Mexico.

Remodeling old residence, Colegio Isabella Hendrix, Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

Completion of building, Nadiad Hospital School of Nursing, Gujarat Conference, India.

Land and school hostel building, Chidaguppa, Hyderabad Conference, India.

X-ray and other equipment, Creighton-Freeman Memorial Hospital, Brindaban, Delhi Conference, India.

Completion of teachers' home, Asansol, Bengal Conference, India.

Repairs on buildings, India.

Car, Lucie Harrison Girls' School, Lahore, Pakistan.

Building program, Ipoh, Malaya.

Missionary residence, Penang, Malaya.

Development of program in Liberia, Africa.

Development of program in Southern Rhodesia, Africa.

Completion of lights and water for all stations, Central Congo, Africa.

Mobile medical unit for rural work, Central Congo, Africa.

Rural dispensaries, Central Congo, Africa.

Stitcher for press, Central Congo, Africa.

Lake House, Munkamba, Central Congo, Africa.

Missionary residence, Quessua, Africa.

Social-evangelistic center, Luanda, Africa.

Missionary residence, Kapanga, Africa.

Home Economics Building, Hirosaki, Japan.

School building program, Malaya.

In addition to all these projects, we have been able to make it possible for both departments to have our missionaries, deaconesses, and workers participate in the Federal Social Security Plan, which will mean much for them in the future.

We wrote a year ago: "At the end of the second year of the Advance, we hope we shall be able to publish a second list of Advance projects which our members will have made possible by continuing their sharing of themselves and what they have to help in the building of God's kingdom here on earth." That hope has been fulfilled, and its fulfillment has meant prayer, devotion, and sacrificial giving on the part of those members. This list is here for all to read because of our conviction that a Christian must share with others. To help, through sharing, to bring Christ to lives who do not know him is the greatest labor of love any one of us can give. The period for our Advance program is more than half over. May we continue with this labor of love until this goal we have set is behind us and we are ready to press forward toward even greater achievements.

EMPTY YOUR TREASURIES

Gifts for the ongoing program are needed more than ever before:

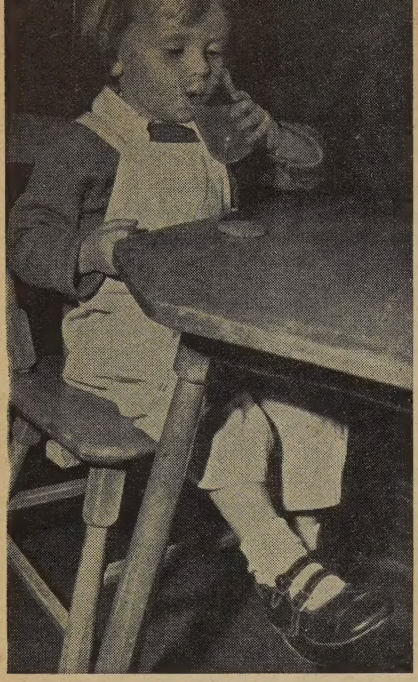
Money is being sent for the support of our missionaries and for program grants to all our fields, including Korea.

Permission by our government has been granted for transmission of funds to China, and missionary salaries and work budgets may be forwarded to the Chinese treasurers as soon as the channels are open.

Our China missionaries who have had their furloughs are serving in other fields and they need our continued support.

The continuation of our ongoing program costs more than twice the amount needed a few years ago.

We must not only continue that program but we must meet the goals of our quadrennial Advance.



U-M-M—It's good! Laele drinks her daily glass of orange juice as part of an afternoon snack at the day nursery of the Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House, East St. Louis, Illinois

Neighborhood House Goal

WELL ADJUSTED ADULTS

By TOM WRIGHT

To GIVE children a good chance to grow up into healthy, well-adjusted adults is the major work of the Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House, a Red Feather agency of the East St. Louis Community Chest. The financial support for which it asks is very small when compared with the values it imparts to children, whose worth is not measured in dollars and cents.

Among the fifty children at the day nursery of Neighborhood House is Laele Rosenzweig. Her first name is pronounced "Lila." She is a three-year-old girl with reddish-brown hair and large dark gray eyes, which have a prematurely serious look.

Her teeth are not in good condition because for two years of her life she seldom had milk or a balanced meal. Laele was born in a displaced persons camp somewhere in Germany. Her father, Zalmen Rosenzweig, spent four years in a German concentration camp; her mother spent a year in another concentration camp. They came to the United States only recently through the aid of a relative in East St. Louis, Illinois. Both now work, and have placed Laele in the day nursery, where she is cared for all day and gets balanced meals with lots of milk.

Laele and the other children, ages two through five, are at the nursery from 6:30 A. M. to 5:30 P. M. while their parents work. Fees for child-care are on a sliding scale, based on what the parents can afford to pay.

"Major support for the Neighborhood House comes from the Community Chest and the Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church, without which we could not operate," says Miss Lillie R. Sheffer, director of the center, who has been on the job for twenty-seven years.

The day nursery is directed by Mrs. Jack Sullivan, who said she came to work there during the war, and has decided to stay because she loves the children.

Besides the day nursery, Neighborhood House also has a nursery school and kindergarten for seventy-two children ranging in age from three to five. Miss Ethel Vanek and Miss Mildred Williams assist Miss Sheffer in these departments.

"We have occupied the present structure since 1940," said Miss Sheffer. "We started in 1911 at Ninth Street and Winstanley Avenue, where we rented a three-room cottage for $10 a month. At that time there were many people who had just arrived here from Europe and we were very busy trying to help them in any way possible. Our community center was known as the East St. Louis Settlement House then.

"Now," smiled Miss Sheffer, "we are taking care of the second and third generations of our first children. The parents are anxious that their children live better and have more security and freedom from fear than they had experienced."

Little Laele herself still has deep-rooted fears. Mrs. Sullivan was holding her when she said, "She is especially afraid of thunder and lightning. Often we take her up in our arms and talk to her to calm her.

"We hope to help her grow out of the past through this environment in wholesome contact with other children, plenty of play, and a balanced diet to build up her body. She is the best little girl I could want and has learned to speak English well."

Numerous other groups use the facilities at Neighborhood House every day of the week. Girl Scouts, Brownies, and Boy Scouts meet in the basement. A large gymnasium is available to all groups. There is a sewing room with a television set, and a woodworking room for the Boy Rangers, ages eight to twelve.

Miss Lena G. Larcom supervises the woodworking room. She has been at this work for twenty-five years. Besides the younger groups, men from the neighborhood and throughout the city come here for meetings.

In the basement there also is a baby clinic under the supervision of the East Side Health District, where a doctor comes on Tuesday from 9:00 A. M. to 1:30 P. M. and examines and weighs babies.

"With so many youngsters, we do have some problems," said Miss Sheffer. "Some children are ill at ease and uncooperative. They have come from homes where the parents bicker and the child feels rejected. After they have been with us a while, they settle down.

"When young men and women return to visit and tell me how much we contributed to their happiness, I know our job is well done." —Reprinted from the *East St. Louis Journal.*

I Thank You

By CLEA MACHADO

Miss Machado gave this message at the annual meeting of the Woman's Division, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, December, 1950.

I would like to tell you how happy I am in having this opportunity of participating in this meeting.

My main purpose is to present the feelings of Brazilian boys and girls. You cannot imagine how wonderful the work is that you have been realizing in our dear country, through Christian persons whom we call missionaries.

As I am talking to you I am remembering our eighteen schools scattered throughout our states, of which fourteen include high schools.

I am remembering thousands of boys and girls who are receiving instruction and training and, above all, independence of thought and a Christian philosophy of life! I am remembering poor children in our slums who are receiving clothes and food through missionary institutions. I am remembering boys who are receiving training in rural schools in order to obtain the best products from our soil.

I am remembering, above all, my dear school—BENNETT—in Rio de Janeiro, where I studied and worked for fifteen years.

Through Bennett, you are helping to educate hundreds of Brazilian girls, but not ordinary girls, because they are the future wives and mothers of the leaders of Brazil. Bennett is also helping hundreds of girls like me, who, without the help of scholarships, could not study above the high-school level. Bennett is also aiding parents and homes through counseling.

Bennett has many departments—nursery school, primary, secondary, and junior college (the only one of its kind in Brazil). This junior college prepares teachers of nursery schools, home economics, and religious education. A year ago another department was added, the School of Sacred Music, which is training girls to direct the music activities in the churches. All these departments are under the orientation of North American missionaries, who are skillfully training Brazilian girls to do the work.

Here are some interesting facts that will illustrate the spirit that Bennett is developing:

We have a good choir, one of the best in the country. Till the middle of this year the girls were using half-robes. But one day they saw a robe from Westminster Choir School. That was enough! In a meeting of the religious association, *Gremio Hipolito de Campos,* the girls decided to raise money to buy new robes for the choir. And you should see what a group of girls can do! They worked hard: polishing shoes, mending, selling sandwiches and beverages, and, as a result of all this effort, they could consecrate the new robes on October 12, Bennett's anniversary.

Every year our girls work to raise money for what we call "Campaign Against Leprosy." In 1950, they raised Cr 73,000 ($3,650.00). It is a fabulous amount, when we think of the way this money was raised. It took days and days of mailing letters to all the graduates of Bennett asking for help; selling sandwiches and beverages to the girls in the school; coming and going downtown asking the commercial firms for money, food for the buffet (which was held on the night of the close of the campaign), or little gifts to be sold; planning a festival program, the painting of all the scenery and the rehearsals. Beyond all this, the girls had to keep up with their studies. I wish that I could take you there to let you have a conversation with one of the leaders of this work and see how much love and dedication go into it.

I can assure you that your schools, and Bennett College in particular, are performing an invaluable task in Brazil. However, in coming to the States and seeing what you have here and after studying for some of my term papers, I realize that there is a lot to be done. We can improve.

I thank you in the name of all the Brazilian boys and girls in *your* missionaries' schools, but I have much more to thank you for in my own name. Probably you are going to laugh at some of the things that I am going to thank you for:

Thank you for the autumn—for giving me the opportunity of seeing trees changing the color of their leaves from green to red, yellow, and brown.

Thank you for the snow. Even when I am shivering, I am thankful, because the whiteness of the snow is a constant inspiration to my soul.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity of spending a Thanksgiving season in the States with all the tradition of the delicious turkey and the spirit of love that touches everybody.

Thank you for Boston—and Boston University and the various possibilities that I have been finding for enriching my life. And thank you for the possibility of living among the lovely North-American people; for instance, like Mrs. Selby.

Finally, I would like to leave with you this short poem:

I've tried and tried to coin a word
That mortals ne'er have seen or heard,
With meaning fraught
To say what I would like to say
In some new and different way
But I cannot.
I've listened to the singing birds
And tried to put their songs to words
But 'twould not do.
So after thinking all the day
I am saying in this simple way
That I thank you.

Clea Machado

Miriams

By NORA S. HINSHAW

"And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand. . . .
"And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously. . . ."
—Exodus 15:20, 21

IN THE most recent edition of *The Methodist Hymnal* there are ninety-one hymns written by women. The writer learned this interesting fact when preparing an address on the status of women.

Traditionally, the generally accepted role of women in the churches has been that of the "Marthas," the servers of meals and the organizers of the commonplace tasks of the church. A great mine of resources was uncovered when we began to study the "Miriams" of the church—the women song writers and their songs.

One of the oldest hymns was written by wealthy Antoinette Bourignon, a saintly woman who was born in 1616. She was a mystic and a gifted writer, who not only produced books on theology but also expressed herself through the medium of poetry.

The first stanza of her hymn that was popular with our grandparents lifts our hearts with the prayer:

Come, Saviour, Jesus, from above!
Assist me with thy heavenly grace;
Empty my heart of earthly love,
And for thyself prepare a place.

The year 1648 gave to the world Madame Jeanne Bouvier Guyon, recognized as one of the most remarkable women in the range of religious biography. Due to the religious beliefs expressed in her writings, the Roman Catholic Church considered her to be a dangerous character and persecuted her throughout her lifetime. Twice she was imprisoned, once in the terrible Bastile. In fact, many of her poems were written while she was in prison.

Nutter and Tillett, co-authors of *Hymns and Hymn Writers* said of her: "The Wesleys were not stronger believers in the doctrine of a conscious witness of the Holy Spirit, entire consecration, and perfect love in this life than was this remarkable woman." We have one of her hymns in *The Methodist Hymnal:*

My Lord, how full of sweet content,
I pass my years of banishment!
Where'er I dwell, I dwell with Thee,
In heaven, in earth, or on the sea.

Who has not been inspired by the spiritual insight of a later writer, Fanny Crosby, the queen of gospel song writers? With blinded physical eyes she sang of the visions of her heart and spirit. Fanny Crosby wrote more than 6,000 hymns and gospel songs during the ninety-five years of her life. Most of them were simple messages of hope, faith, praise, and redemption. She was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1851. From the humblest to the greatest, all are indebted to her for such songs as: "Blessed Assurance," "Rescue the Perishing," "Saved by Grace," "He Hideth My Soul," "Though Your Sins Be as Scarlet," "Will Jesus Find Us Watching?" "To the Work! To the Work!" " 'Tis the Blessed Hour of Prayer," "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me," "Nearer the Cross."

Sometime during almost every missionary church service is sung Mary Ann Thompson's impassioned call:

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
To tell to all the world that God is Light,
That He who made all nations is not willing
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night.
Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;
Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
Pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious;
O Zion, haste to bring the brighter day.

Then there is sweet Mary A. Kidder's gentle questioning:

Ere you left your room this morning,
Did you think to pray?
In the name of Christ, our Saviour,
Did you sue for loving favor,
As a shield today?
Oh, how praying rests the weary!
Prayer will turn the night to day;
So when life seems dark and dreary,
Don't forget to pray.

"America, the Beautiful" arouses us as we sing Katharine Lee Bates's inspired prayer:

America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.

America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And every gain divine.

If the Committee on Program wishes an interesting and profitable venture, the members might plan to use each month at least one hymn written by a woman. It would add interest if a short talk were to be given about the writer of the hymn and the occasion which caused it to be written.

This has now become the practice of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, of which the writer is a member. There has been an increasing interest in the message of the hymns and in the lives of the women who wrote them. At times there is felt a precious fellowship with the author.

From a small beginning and after many months of research and work, the writer now has in her file more than 1,000 copies of hymns and gospel songs written by 403 "Miriams."

Songs written by women, sung by women!

World Federation of Methodist Women

PRAYER FROM THE UNIT IN BURMA

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Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for Thy rich blessings and tender mercies bestowed on us, Thy weak and erring children. We thank Thee for the important work Thou dost expect us to do. We wait, O Lord, upon Thee for Thy guidance and strength. Help us to carry Thy message of salvation and life to those who are in sin and trouble. Give us Thy grace, so that Thy love may shine through us. In these present troubled times, may all far-sighted, consecrated men and women realize that now is the time to throw all their powers and energies into the great task of building for Thee a better world, where love and peace reign supreme. Help all nations of the world to discern that only as we build together upon the precepts of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, do we build wisely and well for mankind. Grant us such an experience of Thy presence that our hearts will be filled with brotherly love, reaching across all lands and seas. For Thy name's sake. Amen.

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Membership in the Woman's Society of Christian Service: Burmese group, 185; Indian group, 40; English group, 20; Chinese group, 60—total, 305.

"Some new missionaries have arrived to increase our number."

WORSHIP PROGRAM FOR CIRCLES • "With Healing in His Wings"

Thanks for Healing

By NETTIE M. FISHER

HYMN (*sung or read*): "We May Not Climb the Heavenly Steeps" (*The Methodist Hymnal*, No. 120).

SCRIPTURE: Luke 4:38-41; Psalms 103:1-5.

MEDITATION: "Thanks for Healing"

Eons and eons ago, when the world began to be formed,
God, the Creator, hid away in dim recesses of molten rock,
In the emerging soil which laid its carpet upon the rock beneath,
And in the developing vegetation which sprang from the sun and the soil,
Materials for the healing of generations who would walk the earth.

God the Creator, who "breathed into (man) the breath of life,"
Endowed him with intellect, bestowed upon him the will to delve into
The mysteries of creation. To him was granted the power to unlock the
Secrets hid away when the earth was formed.
And so in laboratories of research, tirelessly working out his
Experiments through hours of sacrificial loneliness, man ferreted out
These riches of healing elements. Men have pooled their God-given
Knowledge in behalf of strengthening resistance to microbes and germs,
Curing disease, wiping out epidemics, lengthening life.

Thus man, the creature, has linked his powers with the abundant
Provision of his Creator, for the service of all mankind. It has
Been left for man, the recipient, to voice his gratitude for liberation
From pain and suffering through scores of new remedies come from
The heart and the hand of God through the brain and the hand of man.

God, the Father, seeing the sin and suffering of His earthly children,
Sent His "only begotten Son," the Great Physician, to heal their
Bodies, minds, and souls. Luke, the disciple, himself a physician,
Records for us no less than ten examples of Jesus' healing miracles:
The demoniac, the man with the withered hand, the woman who touched
The hem of His garment, the paralytic borne of four, Peter's wife's
Mother, "sick of a fever," ten men whose leprosy shut them away from
Friends and kinfolk. All these, and myriads more, felt the tender
Touch of His hand, heard Him say, "Arise, walk, sin no more!"

Today, God the Creator, God the Father, God the Son and Saviour,
Still works among us, and for us, and with us. Through open minds
And consecrated hands the healing ministry is carried on.
Shall we not give fervent thanks for the blessings of modern medicine,
For the availability of new drugs, for the mercy of anesthesia?
Most of all, for the daily presence in our lives of the GREAT PHYSICIAN?
Let our thoughts and our prayers of gratitude find
Further expression through generous offerings to His cause.

PRAYER:

ARTICLES: "My First Impressions of Puerto Rico," page 4, this issue; "Those Chinese Christians!" page 35. WORLD OUTLOOK for March.

Call to Prayer

From the Constituting Convention of the National Council of Churches through the General Department of United Church Women and its president, Mrs. James D. Wyker, comes this important Call to Prayer:

In the light of the crucial situation we would seek to bind the world together with a definite prayer for peace, asking all people to join daily, *at the noontide hour*, making the following prayer, written by Mrs. Harper Sibley, a personal petition:

"O God, who hast put into the hearts of men a great longing for peace but hast also given to man the power to choose, grant us the will to make our choices in accordance with Thy will. Bind the world together, O God, in fellowship, service, and love, and grant that we may take our part in the fulfillment of Thy Purpose. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord." Amen.

Recent Arrivals From—

Africa: **Miss Annie Parker, Route 1, Trinity, Alabama.**

China: **Misses Emma Wilson, 8910 West Adams Blvd., Los Angeles 34, Calif.; Rose Waldron, Box 253, Steilacoom, Washington; Margaret Prentice, 2500 Cudahy St., Huntington Park, Calif.; Jean Rowland, 1719 Park Ave., Baltimore 17, Maryland; Lila Corbett, 2604 South Logan St., Lansing 10, Michigan.**

Peru: **Miss Semeramis Kutz, Warsaw, Indiana.**

Transfers From China—

To Home Department: **Miss F. Pearl Mason.**

To Borneo: **Misses Blanche Apple, Orvia Proctor.**

To Japan: **Miss Jenny Lind.**

To Malaya: **Misses Miriam Gruber, Martha L. McCutchen.**

Recent Sailings For—

Africa: **Miss Annie Laura Winfrey (Belgian Congo).**

In Memoriam

Miss Catherine de P. Brand **of Cincinnati, Ohio, died on January 23, 1951. Miss Brand was employed for a number of years in the Literature Headquarters of the former Woman's Home Missionary Society in Cincinnati before her retirement.**

Deaconess Convocation

"Our Witness in the Waking World" was the theme of the first national Convocation of Deaconesses and Home Missionaries held at Central Methodist Church, Kansas City, Missouri, April 11-13. A pageant on the history of deaconess work, written and directed by Mrs. Ruth Mougey Worrell of Columbus, Ohio, was a feature of the program which included such noted speakers as Bishop Glenn Phillips, Bishop Lloyd Wicke, Dr. Harold Case, Dr. Henry Hitt Crane, Dr. George Baker, Jr., and Rev. Carl Scherzer. The July-August issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN will carry a full report.

Bureau of Educational Institutions

Language and Area Studies at Scarritt College—Forty candidates, furloughed workers, and foreign students from Latin America met with Dr. and Mrs. James Ellis on their recent visit to Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee. A Latin-American house has been set aside for the use of this group, and language records, a tape recorder, tutorial assistance, and area study materials have been provided to supplement regular courses of study.

A similar group of twenty candidates and furloughed workers from Africa are being furnished a special center with aids for area and language studies, so that students preparing for service in French, Portuguese, and Spanish-speaking regions are given every encouragement and assistance.

Visitors Welcome at Bennett College—The "latchstring is out" at Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina, for visitors returning from the South, according to a special announcement recently received from Dr. David D. Jones, president. Inasmuch as 1950-51 marks the twenty-fifth year for Bennett College as Methodism's only college for Negro women, a continuous "open house" policy has been established so that travelers may feel welcome to stop over and visit the college at their convenience.

Of especial interest to guests this year will be the recently completed Student Union Building, which provides much-needed dining facilities as well as a functionally designed center for Bennett's extra-class program. Visitors are welcome at any hour and on any day in the week, but old friends of the college are apt to schedule their travel itineraries so that they may attend one of the vesper services held each Sunday during the college year at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Building a Wor

Africa

The following article, which appeared in a recent issue of *The Listener,* published in Monrovia, Liberia, gives an insight into the work of the Youth Fellowship in Monrovia, recently organized under the direction of Misses Dora Lee Allen and Carrie V. Peat, missionaries of the Woman's Division of Christian Service: "Because there has been no clean and wholesome place where parents could with satisfaction permit their children to go for good clean fun and other beneficial activities, our children have had no other place of recreation but the dance hall. But not all parents desire their children to recreate only in the pavilion. We are sure there are many parents who are yearning for some center where they can send their children and know that they will not only have an opportunity to have fun, but will be benefited also. In fact, we believe that our young people themselves realize that a center where they can exchange views and ideas, plan and work together, would be one of the greatest assets to their development. The need for the benefit of the boys and girls of all this will be met in the Youth Fellowship recently initiated for our community.

"The Youth Fellowship is for high school boys and girls. It meets every Saturday at the College of West Africa from 3:00 to 9:00 P. M. It is an attempt to provide a place where young people of the community can have good clean fun, serious study of the Bible, great hymns, and many areas in which they have expressed an interest, song fests, and activities where they learn by doing. This is under trained adult leadership. Dramatics, music, art, handcrafts, and many other interests will be used to offer a balanced program. There is ample opportunity for the development of leadership among the young people as they plan and carry out the various activities. The Youth Fellowship is in its infancy, having had only two meetings to date. With the cooperation of parents, the endorsement of the community, and the enthusiasm of youth, this may be one means of

meeting the needs of the young people of Liberia."

Bureau of Town and Country

Cumberland County Rural Work—The closing of the Scarritt College Rural Center, Crossville, Tennessee, does not mean the termination of rural work under the Woman's Division in that area. The two community workers, Deaconesses Catherine Ezell and Vera Falls, are continuing to work in the county. They report a new development, in the organization in October, 1950, of the Cumberland County Methodist Council, representing the twelve churches of the county. This council, composed of church-school superintendents, representatives from the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Youth Fellowship, and boards of stewards, is taking increasing responsibility for the work of the churches throughout the county. Some of the meetings are devoted to making plans for the work of the church school, Woman's Societies of Christian Service, and the subdistrict Methodist Youth Fellowship. At other times, meetings of committees such as Leadership Education, Vacation Church School, and Lord's Acre are held.

Already these committees are planning for a county-wide Leadership Education School, a Vacation Church School Institute, and an inspirational rally for all Methodist people. The *Cumberland Methodist*, a newssheet of accomplishments, plans, and announcements, has been started. It is proving to be a unifying force.

China

Before very long, almost all of our missionaries will be out of China. The flare-up of anti-American demonstrations early in December made it evident to Chinese Christian leaders that the time for the remaining missionaries to leave had come. Many have expressed their deep regret that they felt it necessary to give their fellow workers this advice, but they came to the conclusion that the welfare of both the church and the missionaries demanded it.

The Board of Missions has, for some months, maintained a business office at Hong Kong, 22 Hennessy Road, with Mr. L. M. McCoy and Miss Myrtle Smith in charge. They have been of great service in receiving missionaries from China and in helping them get passage to the United States. There has been no difficulty in getting funds to Hong Kong for the home travel of missionaries arriving in that port. However, for a little while, funds were blocked, so far as China was concerned, and therefore could not be sent to that country. We are now glad to report that the license requested of the American government has been granted and funds appropriated for the regular work budget may now be sent in. Salaries for missionaries may also be sent.

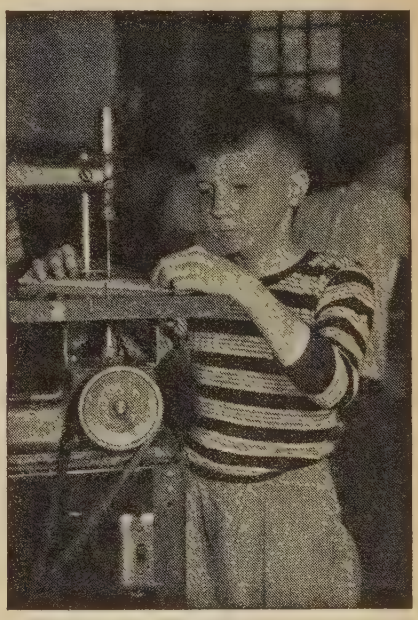
Urgent calls have come from Malaya and Burma for missionaries leaving China to come to the rescue of understaffed institutions in those two countries. There are large groups of Chinese from Fukien Province living in Malaya and Burma. The Woman's Division has had nineteen missionaries in Fukien Province who speak the same dialects as the Malayan and Burman Chinese. It is, therefore, not surprising that the call is being answered by Fukien missionaries who have several years before their furloughs are due. In fact, missionaries who left China when the People's Government first entered North China, as well as those who later returned to the United States, are now serving in the Philippines, India, Japan, Burma, Malaya, Southern Rhodesia, and Latin America. We do not have enough missionaries in any country to care adequately for the existing work, so that we can rejoice that China missionaries are available for reassignment. These missionaries, when asked if they have any choice as to new fields of service, generally speaking, respond that they want to go wherever the need is greatest. It is important to remember that supporting groups should continue to send in salaries for China missionaries.

The coming out of missionaries does not mean that the Christian Church in China will fold up and disappear. The churches are open, serving the people. Keep ever in mind that The Methodist Church has been at work in China for more than a hundred years. Many hundreds of men and women have been educated in Christian colleges, high schools, theological seminaries, kindergarten training schools, nurse training schools, and medical schools. For more than twenty years the heads of the church high schools, colleges, and other institutions have been Chinese. We must believe that God, the Father of all, will give them strength for whatever comes.

Bureau of Urban Work

The Jig Saw . . . Plus—The frown on Jimmie's face is due to his

This is no puzzle for Jimmie—he knows what he's doing



interest in following the pencil line with the jig saw. The curved tops of the blue bookends he made for his teacher and the ones he made for his mother for Christmas were cut here. But a coping saw and hard work were the only tools he used in cutting out the whatnots he is now making. His grandmother received one and he is finishing another one for his mother. While saws buzz, Jimmie sings lustily, forgetting momentarily his speech handicap. Jimmie is a happy boy and enjoys to the full the opportunities offered him at St. Mark's Community Center, New Orleans, Louisiana, whether in craft class, gym class, or in Sunday school.

Not only Jimmie and his three older sisters, but many of the boys and girls who live near by find in St. Mark's, with its spacious rooms, swimming pool, gymnasium, library, and its friendly and understanding staff, a place to meet friends, have fun, and learn to do interesting things together. They come for the most part from overcrowded homes where there is probably a bed in every room but the kitchen, and it usually serves as dining room and living room as well.

For more than twenty-six years, St. Mark's, in its present location, has ministered to the people of the historic *Vieux Carre* section of New Orleans, a community composed of some twenty nationalities, of whom about 76 per cent are Catholic. It is correctly described as "underprivileged." In this section, destructive forces emanating from the many barrooms, night clubs, gambling places, and houses of prostitution far outweigh the forces for good. Here the Community Center, in cooperation with St. Mark's Methodist Church, is attempting to point the people to a better way of life. In fact, it points to the only way that will bring "fullness of life."

—Fae L. Daves, *Head Resident*

India

Gladys Doyle writes from Moradabad: "I found the most challenging job awaiting me in Moradabad that I have had since I came to India. There are 27,000 Methodist Christians in over 2,000 villages in this district. Except for the 2,000 Methodists in the city of Moradabad, most of them are illiterate. Some of the pastors have between 150 and 200 villages to shepherd. It is only where there is a school that groups of converts are learning to live the Christian way. We should have 500 or more schools in this district. I took over twenty-seven schools from Ethel Calkins and have opened four new ones. Ethel, the evangelist, and I have toured the whole district, visiting all of the schools and many of the places that need schools.

"One of the big jobs will be educating my teachers and training new teachers. Many of them have never studied in a school, so need a lot of help. Oftentimes these poorly qualified teachers are doing a piece of work a college graduate could be proud of. It is wonderful what God can do through a consecrated Christian. Chimman Lal is one of the outstanding examples. Eight and a half years ago, Ethel Calkins went to Ramnager and found Chimman Lal, the only man in the two sweeper *mahullas* (sections of the city) who could read and write. She made him the teacher, asking a Christian midwife to teach him arithmetic. When I visited Ramnager, I found him teaching a well-organized school through the fifth grade. Over fifty gathered that night to welcome me. All of them sang hymn after hymn, they repeated the Beatitudes, the Ten Commandments, one read from the Bible, another prayed. When Ethel said she wanted to give a Bible picture to every home that had a literate person, one of the men said there was not a home where there was not at least one person who could read. If a man came to Ramnager to work even for one year, Chimman Lal taught him to read. Chimman is still a sweeper, but he conducts the Sunday service when the pastor cannot come from Kashipur. He has educated two of his daughters through junior high and has a nephew appearing for his high-school examination from Moradabad this year. We are paying him a salary of $4.45 at the present rate of exchange."

Bureau of Social Welfare

Chautauqua Missionary Home Activities—The Missionary Home at Chautauqua, New York, had a delightful and happy family all through last summer. Our devotional period each morning was a splendid beginning for the day. We had a singing family that came from around the world, and hymns were sung in six different languages. In our Oriental group there were four Crusade scholars from India, one from Japan, and one from Korea (Mrs. Esther Wang Pak). And Eliseo M. Pojaro of Manila and Haidar Chicralla from Brazil were with us. These guests entered right into our family life and we felt very near to them.

The Ashville, New York, Woman's Society of Christian Service held its Silver Tea and June meeting at the home. It was a lovely affair and the house was packed. The Ashville women brought a shower of jams and pickles and a vacuum cleaner. They also served a buffet supper after the program and meeting.

In July, we gave a tea in honor of Mrs. J. D. Bragg, who was teaching the mission course on the grounds. In August, a tea was held for the women of the Erie Conference. Over 200 were present. We had national, jurisdiction, and conference officers in the receiving line, as well as the deaconesses and missionaries in the home. Dr. Glora Wysner of New York, Setareki Tuilovoni of The Methodist Church in the Fiji Islands, Dr. E. Stanley Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. James K. Mathews called at the house, also.

In September, four of the family went to the Blockville, New York, Woman's Society luncheon and meeting. We were all called upon to speak. Some Japanese army men (guests of the United States govern-

ment), who are not Christians but are inquiring about "The Way," were being entertained in the home of one of the parishioners. I was requested to give a dinner party for these men the next day, so that they might feel the Christian atmosphere of our home. We had seven dinner guests, among them being Mr. Karanaga of Japan and Mrs. Esther Wang Pak. They enjoyed the fresh country corn and new apple pie and felt at perfect ease. Among our special guests of the season were also Pastor and Mrs. Martin Niemöller of Germany.

The story of our life in the home cannot be put on paper. One must come and live it and feel it.—Mrs. Charles H. Thomas, *Hostess*

Japan

Miss Eleanor Warne began rural work in Japan last fall. She writes enthusiastically: "The center for most of my rural work is at Kawakami, a village of about 1,000 families, ten miles out of Matsuyama. A number of years ago a missionary started a church farm there and it developed into quite a rural center for surrounding villages. The farm is now operated by one of the church members. A Japanese pastor's family lives at the church on this farm. There is church and Sunday school each Sunday, and a Farmers' Gospel School several times a year. They also have services in near-by villages each week. Kawakami is bordered by river and mountains, with much varied farming: terraced rice paddies and wheat fields, vegetables, and orchards of oranges, persimmons, figs, and nuts. Have visited a great deal in the homes of the church members to get acquainted and to get a general idea of the community.

"Miss Nakamura, my Japanese co-worker, arrived the middle of October. She is a graduate of a mission Bible school, with a great deal of experience, and knows just what to do. Later we hope to find a house near Kawakami where we can live together. The jeep which the Board of Missions sent out is invaluable to us. With this busy schedule of having to be in two or three villages or more in one day at certain times, and in reaching isolated villages, it would be impossible otherwise, and we are most grateful.

"Our first long trip was to the far end of the island. We spent two days there, taking our projector, curtain, slides and filmstrips, and some of the pictures I have taken in America and Japan. Sometimes stopping along the road when a crowd would gather, we used some of the Christian Kami Shibai (paper plays), which are a series of large brightly colored pictures with the story on the back, which the speaker reads or tells. Also had a few Gospels and tracts that we had gotten at the Japanese Bible Society in Tokyo. In the town where we stayed we met with youth groups, Sunday school, mothers of kindergarten children, and an evening church service. We visited a number of homes in the near-by villages and showed our pictures at a church service in a home in a fishing village. We returned home over a narrow seacoast road. This trip gave us a real glimpse of vast untouched rural areas, and a longing that some kind of Christian work might be brought to these scattered villages."

The Philippines

The missionary spirit among the students in Harris Memorial Training School in Manila is forcefully shown in a letter from one of the workers there. The letter enclosed two checks, one for $5.55, with the explanation that this was "the children's offering when we had a rally here at the school for all the practice service classes taught by our girls. There must have been 500 children. They had a wonderful time with games, lunch, and a program. Their offering they want to send to Japan for some children over there."

The other check for $15.75 the worker explained, "was taken at our Christmas worship service in Harris before the girls went home for vacation. It was a worship service through music and drama. The offering we want to go for work in Korea."

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Charles Monks, Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic, announce the birth of Virginia Susan on December 16, 1950. Mrs. Monks will be remembered as Deaconess Virginia Clark of the North-East Ohio Conference, who was appointed as the visiting nurse at Hospital Internacional, Santo Domingo.

Latin America

Mexico — Miss Elsie Shepherd writes from Mexico City: "Recently we held an institute for workers in the Daily Vacation Bible Schools. It was the first time it had been done, and there was much interest. We had classes on how to organize and carry on such a school. To me was given the opportunity of demonstrating in Spanish the materials available. I liked that, for when one makes the explanation interesting, folk get enthusiastic and buy their supplies and get to work.

"I am still writing the Sunday school lessons for the children's group. We print a booklet of helps for the teacher and also a story sheet which contains the Bible story and is to be given out to the children. Some Sunday schools cannot afford to buy a leaflet for each child, so they buy a smaller number and give them out to the children who arrive on time.

"This year we have begun an evangelistic leaflet or tract service for the pastors. We get the leaflets and let the pastors have them for their work of evangelization, only asking them to pay the postage. We hope to add to our supply as funds permit.

"A few months ago I had the opportunity of going back to Puebla, where I formerly worked, to help with a week of special evangelistic services for the children. It was a joy to be among those with whom I had lived and worked and the Lord blessed in the meetings. Please pray for the women, for some of them are very anxious that their spiritual life be deeper."

The Library Is Yours Too!

By M. DOROTHY WOODRUFF

We have borrowed a title and added a word!

In *The Pastor's Journal* for July-August, 1949, appeared a brief article, "The Library Is Yours!" Although we trust that every Methodist minister now knows that the library is *his*, we are not sure that every Woman's Society of Christian Service member knows that it is *hers*. Thus the library welcomes this opportunity to ask The Methodist Woman readers to write us, telephone us, come to see us at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and to pass the word along to fellow church workers, both men and women.

The functions of the library have been stated as follows: (1) To furnish Methodist missionary information whenever and wherever needed; (2) to supply, as far as possible, staff members with any information required in their work; (3) to keep a missionary record for posterity; (4) to lend books to ministers and other religious workers who do not have easy access to libraries, public and otherwise; (5) to furnish, as far as possible, Methodist information; (6) to supply the entire Board of Missions and Church Extension family with some current reading material and a place in which to read.

Here are some of the questions potential borrowers often ask, and the answers:

What is the borrower's expense? None, unless material is borrowed by mail; then return postage only.

Must borrowers live within a certain area? No; at present the library's approximately six hundred regular borrowers live in forty-one states and the Canal Zone.

How long may books, pamphlets, or other material be kept? All library material is due back three weeks from the date on which it was taken or mailed. Time, however, may usually be extended when the librarian receives a request on or before the due date.

Is there any limit to the number of books that may be borrowed at one time? None whatever.

Is a catalogue published? No; but the library is glad, upon request, to send recent lists of books added to the loan collection.

You may not need to borrow books. You may desire a bit of information for a program. What is being done for Puerto Ricans in New York City? What are current statistics on Bethlehem Centers? What is the present enrollment at Hiroshima Girls' School? What became of a project that flourished under the Woman's Missionary Council or Woman's Home Missionary Society? Or, you may merely wish the address of a former pastor, lost track of, or the dates of an annual conference. The librarians do not carry such information in their heads; but it is remarkable how much handbooks and vertical file folders carry on their pages! Unfortunately, however rich resources may be, all the answers cannot be supplied. Frequently a telephone conversation that begins at one end of the line, "I don't know that you can help me," ends at the other, "I wish that we might be more helpful."

Every once in a while a visitor asks us if we are "new." Our answer has to be, "Not very." Of course, some of our equipment still shines, and our scientifically correct lighting system is a source of pride; but the *library* began to function in March, 1848, when the Missionary Society ordered a few books to be purchased and placed in the corresponding secretary's office.

May we suggest two DON'Ts and two DOs to Methodist women that earlier we suggested to their ministers:

DON'Ts

Do not re-use the outgoing label for return of books.

Do not ask for any books obtainable from your near-by public library.

DOs

Return books just as soon as you have finished with them. A long line of borrowers is often waiting.

Call on the library for any help that you think it may be able to furnish.

A Centerpiece Suggestion

UNITED NATIONS FLAGS

A gaily colored and meaningful centerpiece is this circle of silk flags, representing every country belonging to the United Nations. A strip of blue cardboard makes an attractive base in which to insert the flags.

Identify the international colors by checking against a U.N. Chart of Flags, also tucked into the package.

The centerpiece is ideal for use at workshops, U.N. seminars, U.N. fairs, general study programs, or special dinners. It would also make a worship center for celebrations of Charter Day (June 26), U.N. Day (October 24), or Human Rights Day (December 10).

This centerpiece may be rented for only $1.00 from the Costume Bureau of The Methodist Church, 740 Rush Street, Chicago 11, Illinois.

The Church-Related College and the College-Related Church

By CHARLES T. MORGAN

I SPEAK to you as the president of a church-related small college at a period of human history which is both wonderful and fearful. Any college president worthy of the name ought to have a broad perspective of the world in which we live, and he should have as one of his objectives the training of world citizens.

And What Is the World Like?

I give you three generalizations:

In the first place, we are living in the aftermath of two of the most devastating wars the world has ever known, surrounded by every evil which war breeds.

In the second place, we are living at a time when nations have for their use the most deadly weapons the mind of a thwarted science has ever created, and, strange as it may seem, at a time when man has never been more brutal in the taking of human life.

In the third place, we are living in a divided world. On the one hand there is the totalitarian concept of an absolute government by a few, in which the state is supreme and the individual has no rights; of a controlled society in which private property and free enterprise are abolished; where man is the soulless servant not of God but of the state—in short, communism as it exists in Russia.

Opposed to this communistic idea of government is the essentially Christian and essentially democratic idea that the state exists for the citizen, rather than the citizen for the state, and that individual awards depend upon individual capacity and effort.

We believe that this is the noblest idea of government ever conceived by the mind and heart of man.

In this chaotic and divided world is there a place for the private college?

Guy E. Snavely, executive director of the Association of American Colleges, recently wrote:

"The strength of our democracy depends upon the maintenance of strong colleges supported privately and by taxation. The continuance on a strong basis of the two types of institutions of higher learning, the independent and the tax-supported, certainly will forestall any tendency toward a totalitarian type of government in our country."

Assuming then that there is a place for the private along with the tax-supported college, it follows that there is a place for the church-related institution, and in this day of changing educational patterns one may quite properly ask, *What is a Christian college?* I would approach the answer to this question by saying a few things about what it is not.

A Christian College Is Not!

It is not the formation of a creed or a confession of faith to which all, both faculty and students, are to subscribe; it is not the strict enforcement of certain social regulations; it is not the maintenance of compulsory chapel, or the indulgence in the opiate of a certain type of religious service; it is not individual attention to the point of hothouse methods and the coddling and nurturing of unpromising youth; it is not the development of a curriculum that is very different on paper from the public college, for there is no such thing as Christian chemistry. Chemistry is the same for everyone; the difference is in the viewpoint of the man behind the desk.

Above all, it is not trying to be like the state institutions. Too many church-related colleges have fallen into the hopeless public relations line of claiming that they are "as good as" the state-related colleges. Ernest Colwell, president of the University of Chicago, has said that if the church-related college really means this, it has no future.

What Is a Christian College?

The Christian college is a community which seeks to embody in all its life the spirit of Christ. It exists to represent Christ and to spread his principles. In this respect, it is like the church and a part of the church. Its specific purpose is to educate youth for Christian service, both in the church and in society as a whole. It must be engaged in the enrichment of the human spirit.

The Christian college is a community whose members ought to be selected with great care. The church does not receive members until the applicant shows evidence of having entered upon a new life. In a Christian college all—if not all, a great majority of its members, both faculty and students—should have entered upon such a life. The tests for entrance should examine the spirit as well as the mind of the student. If the church sacrifices to make the college community possible, the church has a right to look to the college for leadership. It is only from such a community as this that such leadership can come.

There would be objection to such selection. Some would say that the Christian college is the church's contribution to the entire community, and therefore, whether a student is Christian or non-Christian should not be considered in his acceptance. This argument would have weight if Christian schools offered the only education obtainable, but they do not. There are hundreds of state- and city-supported institutions of higher learning. If the Christian college does not hold firmly to a distinctive purpose and select its student body

accordingly, there is little excuse for its existence, and it soon becomes a second-rate copy of the tax-supported institutions. All that may be said of such an institution is that it is small and "independent." Unless there is high quality, both these are dubious attributes.

There would be objection on another account. It would be said that such selection would ruin the institution, that not enough students would be found to pay the tuition fees needed to maintain the college.

In reply to that, I would voice my own belief that there are in this country both parents and young people who would rally round a college which had the courage to be really Christian. There are parents yet left who can see through the fads and frills to the deeper meanings of a college education. There are parents who are still wise enough to observe the educational sideshows swallowing up the big tent. There are yet parents who believe with me that getting the feel of a Webster's Intercollegiate Dictionary is as important as getting the feel of a pair of football pants.

How Shall the Christian Purpose Be Expressed?

The real Christian college will be dominated by the Christian purpose. Curriculum, classroom, and laboratory must keep the Christian purpose central. This means the raising of academic standards, not the lowering of them; this means educational effort instead of indolence; this means intellectual honesty, not slothfulness; this means courage, not fear; this means self-discipline, with no substitution of pious phrases or sickly sentimentalism; this means a search for the truth, not the dodging of it, for truth will glorify, not discredit the gospel; this means pioneering and the meeting of human needs.

In the field of extracurricular life, the Christian spirit should dominate no less than in the other phases of college life; recreation should be wholesome as judged by Christian standards and developed from the participation rather than from the spectator viewpoint; Christian courtesy should abound in all student and faculty relationships; exclusive social groups for the so-called elite have no place on the Christian campus; the socially awkward, the timid, and the lonely should be made to feel at home and led to mix happily and naturally with their fellows; relations between the sexes should be on the Christian basis of good taste and self-restraint; highly competetive intercollegiate athletics with special financial inducement to athletes have no place on the thoroughly Christian campus; provision should be made for the physically handicapped and the physically awkward; all college life should be free from extravagance, and a Christian college has no right to parade a way of life which the common people cannot afford; if a boy or girl is promising, I underscore *promising*, and is willing to work a reasonable number of hours each week, the church-related college should make every effort to provide for him whether he has one dollar or one hundred dollars; a Christian college should teach that every vocation ought to be a Christian vocation.

SUMMER VACATIONS

Attention—Deaconesses and Missionaries

The Woman's Division of Christian Service maintains two vacation rest homes at Chautauqua, New York, which are open during July and August and offer excellent opportunities for relaxation in comfortable surroundings. Chautauqua Institute provides entertainment and enrichment through its cultural and religious program. Make reservations early.

Fenton Rest Home—for deaconesses only—no charge for lodging. Good cafeteria and tea room service available.

Address Miss Cynthia Brooks, 331 College Street, Asheville, North Carolina, for reservations.

Chautauqua Missionary Home receives deaconesses, missionaries, and other church workers, who find it a restful vacation home beautifully located overlooking Lake Chautauqua. Special rates for deaconesses and missionaries. If any rooms are not taken by our workers, other interested church people may be admitted at regular rates. Dining room service provided at reasonable rates.

Address Mrs. Charles H. Thomas, 133 Hamilton Drive, Snyder 21, New York, for reservations.

Where Will Our Leaders Come From?

From such colleges as I have pictured to you will come a strong leadership in all phases of our national and international life. In the past, The Methodist Church has reaped bountifully from the labors of its educational institutions. Out of an estimated 1 per cent of its sons and daughters who have gone to Methodist colleges, the church has received most of its ministers and missionaries: 85 per cent of all the living bishops were educated in whole or in part by Methodist schools; of the 1,163 Methodist ministers listed in *Religious Leaders in America*, 74 per cent hold degrees from Methodist colleges, and 80 per cent of those possessing theological training received their degrees from Methodist theological seminaries; 60 per cent of Methodist chaplains who served in the last war were graduated from Methodist colleges, and 82 per cent who finished theological work earned their degrees in Methodist theological seminaries.

The source of this kind of leadership rests with the church-related colleges. One investigation reveals that the church-related and the private colleges are supplying six times as many leaders for these vocations as are the tax-supported institutions.

What Will Become of the Church-Related Colleges?

That will depend upon the college-related churches.

Once when asked what would become of Methodism after his death, John Wesley remarked:

"That will depend on the education and religious instruction of Methodists."

Mother and Daughter Banquets

By MRS. H. W. BLAND DETWILER

MAY is the time when we usually plan for mother and daughter occasions. Mother and daughter banquets are not only charming for lovely little ladies, and larger ones, but they are a "must" in the life of any church program. Fellowship which makes friends of mothers and daughters is a sure foundation for Christian family joy.

There are dozens of ideas for planning a mother and daughter banquet. Here are just a few, given more in outline than in detail:

INVITATIONS AND PROGRAM BOOKLETS—May be made according to the same pattern, such as (1) sunbonnet figures, three inches tall, made of construction paper in pastel shades. If a more lasting favor is desired, use the same pattern on felt and insert ink-wiper material. Be sure the sunbonnet girl carries a tiny corsage, which, on paper, is made of crayon, and on felt of French knots. (2) A four-fold cut of construction paper, three inches high, becomes a pot of tulips. If you cut the flowerpot and two tulips for each side, you will have a perfect nut cup. (3) Small lacy doilies may be used in dozens of ways, such as covers for the program when pasted on the front cover and in having a picture of a "mother" and a "daughter" in the center of the doily. (4) Butterflies, birds, or flowers stuck on pipestems placed in gumdrops are pretty. (5) Tiny fans may be cut from wallpaper or greeting cards.

DECORATIONS—Although you will probably carry the pattern of the favors and programs into the decorations, there are other possibilities. (1) Cut out crepe-paper blossoms, stick on small twigs or branches, or scatter over the table covers. (2) Use tinkling powder music boxes here and there. (3) Borrow a canary or two. (4) One of the most beautiful mother and daughter banquets I ever attended carried out an entire yellow and white theme. Long graceful tables, seating over two hundred, were arranged with bowers of forsythia interspersed with gleaming, tall white candles in dozens of shiny brass candleholders. The programs were of lovely yellow, and etched on the front cover was a robin singing "Mother and Daughter." On the platform, arranged like a living room, was a gate-leg table on which stood a large picture of a mother and child. At well-selected spots were flowers and chairs. In the background of the "room" were folding screens, over which fell a cascade of forsythia. When we entered the room, the candles had been lighted and the whole thing was breathtaking. (5) A mother and daughter hostess might decorate each table in its own flower arrangement. (6) Each table might depict a scene which speaks of girlhood.

HOSTESSES—A committee of college or senior-high girls might wear evening gowns and serve as hostesses. Each might carry a small dish or basket containing tiny paper flower cutouts with the name of a mother or daughter written on the back. Each guest would get better acquainted with the person whose name she receives.

PROGRAM—Each Woman's Society will have many clever ideas for program features. (1) A speaker who will appeal to the entire group will add to the effectiveness of the evening. If you want to understand each other, it would be a good idea to have a mother speak on the ideal daughter, a daughter speak on the ideal mother, and follow this with a short discussion. (2) You will want the finest music. Group singing adds to the fellowship on such an occasion. *Lift Every Voice*[1] has many possibilities. If the banquet is used as an opportunity to become better acquainted with mothers and daughters of other countries, you will find many lovely songs in the new book, *The Whole World Singing*,* by Edith Lovell Thomas. Soft appropriate music being played on records or on the piano as the folks gather lends atmosphere. (3) A fashion show, with girls modeling their mothers' wedding gowns or wedding dresses of different periods, might appeal to some groups. (4) Some may prefer to use a short play or dramatization. (5) Where the group is small, baby pictures of those present will make a lively guessing game. (6) Many like to plan for some novel way to recognize the oldest and the youngest mother in the group.

Some have found a mother and daughter banquet a fine occasion for presenting special memberships—one to a mother and one to a daughter. It does not necessarily mean that it must be a mother and her daughter who are so honored. The membership would naturally be given to any woman or girl whom the group wished to recognize in this way. Such a presentation should be carefully planned, that the significance of the occasion may not be lost. An honorary youth membership is one way to recognize girls who have been or are leaders in the MYF and who have served well in any capacity in the church. It must be clearly understood that all money used for honorary youth memberships should come from members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and not from funds of the MYF.

Fellowship, friendliness, and a challenge for living together with a Christian emphasis will make the evening one long to be remembered.

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[1] Available from the Service Department, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee. 20 for $4.50; 50 for $10.00.

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati 2, Ohio, $2.75 clothbound; $1.50 paperbound.

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

The mothers of our missionaries, like mothers everywhere on Mother's Day, reflect on their children—and express the joy of dedicating their daughters to Christian service

God, grant us Christlike mothers who seek and search that we may ever hold before us the challenge of the cross. Lord, bless our Christian mothers who on tired, calloused knees ignore personal pain and hurt while praying for their children. Father above, we thank thee that thou dost trust the torch to us whose strength thou must forever renew, and make all others see that ever thine we'll be.

—Mary Lou Santillan, *Scarritt College*

Mrs. H. H. Bomar of Plano, Texas

"My daughter Minnie Mae has been in India for the past three years doing rural work. It is never easy to say good-by for a period of five years to one you love, but somehow the fact that she did not go alone, but with her Master ever near, has been a reassuring thought to me. She is very happy to be doing her bit for Christ, and today I am glad that she answered his call for helpers.

"Now, when the world is in such a turmoil, I am thinking back to 1941, when my son volunteered for service in the Navy. He was in Pearl Harbor when the Japanese came over, and he remained in the Pacific for four years. Many mothers' hearts are anxious again today—fighting is so terrible in this Atomic Age. War has taught us that we are all one people, and that what takes place in any country is important to the entire world.

"If we are ever to have lasting peace, it will have to come through the teachings of Jesus—spreading his love throughout the entire world. So I am both proud and happy that Minnie Mae is doing what she can to take the gospel to those who know him not."

—*Mrs. H. H. Bomar*

Minnie Mae Bomar, Vikarabad, Deccan, India

Mrs. C. D. Lawson of Aledo, Illinois, is the mother of Mary Lawson, serving in the Methodist Mission at Il Maten, Algeria. She says: "From the moment that each of our children was born, the constant query in our hearts has been, What potential capacity for building a better world has God implanted in this tiny soul? We always feel that, wherever she is, Mary is bringing happiness to those around her. What richer gift could be carried to an unhappy world, and what feeling other than gratitude could we, her parents, have that God has needed her in his great work?"

Mrs. W. W. Shepherd of Wilmore, Kentucky, and Esther Shepherd, who teaches at Lal Bagh High School, Lucknow, India

"My husband and I always felt that God honored us very much by calling our daughter to foreign missions. I have the assurance that God will love and keep the daughter that I have committed unto him.—*Mrs. Shepherd*

Ellen Barnett is an I-3, teaching at the Webb Memorial Girls' School, Baroda, India. Mrs. Dupree Barnett writes from Atlanta, Georgia: "I am thrilled —yes, I am happy beyond words—that God has selected my daughter to go where she is needed to do service for him. When we pray and ask God to do his will, we must be submissive, even though we cannot see the way clearly. My children belong to God, and they cannot drift beyond his love and care."

Mrs. Joseph A. Gist of Napa, California, mother of Lucy Gist, who is at the Bethlehem Center in Fort Worth, Texas, says: "Lucy's decision to give her life to full-time Christian service made me very humble and proud. Ever since she was a little girl, her joy has come from loving and serving people, and I am so glad that she chose to continue this through a profession in which she could express herself."

Mrs. J. Paul Smith of South Charleston, West Virginia, writes of her daughter Marcelline, who is the superintendent of nurses at the Nadiad Hospital, India: "It is an honor and a privilege to have a child called by our Saviour to do special work in his name. We felt it was our duty as parents to help and encourage our daughter's choice in every way."

Mrs. J. M. Smith of Asheville, North Carolina, writes of Ruth, a deaconess at Vashti School, Georgia: "I love my daughter. But God needs her and can do so much more for her than I can. He is wonderful to have given her to me. Surely I can be willing for her to be used in his service. So I pray, Lord, use her. Help others through her."

Mrs. W. E. Yeater of Syracuse, Indiana, and Alice Yeater, an LA-3 teaching at the Union Theological Seminary, Buenos Aires, Argentina

"You couldn't be around Alice very long without catching some of her joyous enthusiasm for having the chance to serve God and to be his witness in South America. We are deeply grateful for the love and protection thrown about her by an all-wise Father and his ministering servants."—*Mrs. Yeater*

Mrs. C. R. Bigelow of Denver, Colorado, mother of Frances Bigelow, who teaches at Crandon Institute, Montevideo, Uruguay, writes: "Combating communism's anti-Christian propaganda is the most important job Americans face today. Many of us have not realized how vitally important it is for us to send Christian missionaries to other countries. I am very proud that Frances can do a little to help the advance toward One World in Christ."

Mrs. Emma Beckwith of Kansas City, Kansas, and Josephine Beckwith, a home missionary serving Mt. Zion Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

"When my daughter was appointed to the field, it made me happy to know that she could be of such wonderful service to others. Although I miss her, I feel as though she is doing her part in life to promote a good work. I pray God's blessings on all who have made this possible."—*Mrs. Beckwith*

Mrs. C. A. Scott of Chattanooga, Tennessee, says of her daughter Edith, working with students at the Manila Social Center in the Philippines: "I am glad that she is making a real contribution in life. It takes a stout heart, a fearless nature, and a sincere Christian conviction for our young people to go into foreign lands to do their bit in bringing about world brotherhood."

Mrs. C. H. French of Cameron, Missouri, writes of Medora French, commissioned to serve in Korea: "I believe that no parent has a right to stand in the way of a child who wants to help humanity, whether at home or abroad. Heaven is as near Asia as it is to North America."

"God works in mysterious ways sometimes, and he, Barbara, and I have always worked together—so it is the greatest joy of my life to have my daughter dedicating her life to his service. I caught the vision of need from work in the Woman's Society, but it was too late for me to go. Perhaps I may have passed on the torch to my daughter."—*Mrs. Sommerville*

Mrs. C. V. Sommerville of Clarksburg, West Virginia, and Barbara Sommerville, a deaconess at Wesley House, Nashville, Tennessee

Mrs. Mason E. Mitchell of Conway, Arkansas, is the mother of Mary Mitchell, attached to the Moore Memorial Church in Shanghai, and expected home soon. She says: "I am grateful that Mary wanted to go to be a channel through which God could express his love for the Chinese people, who have had a very warm place in my heart ever since I worked among them a number of years ago."

Mrs. W. S. Gifford of Denver, Colorado, and Phyllis Gifford, who teaches at Colegio Piracicabano, Brazil

"It was my desire as a girl to be a missionary. When Phyllis made her decision to give her life to Christian work, I was very happy. Because of her joyous and unselfish living, I believe she can give much to the youth of Brazil."—*Mrs. Gifford*

Mrs. C. W. Snyder of Charles Town, West Virginia, says of her daughter, Christine, a deaconess teaching rural sociology at Sue Bennett College, London, Kentucky: "I am so very happy that Christine is doing what the Lord meant for her—to be taking the gospel to all people."

Mrs. David T. McNish of Peoria, Illinois, is the mother of Mary McNish, a deaconess at the Knickerbocker Church, Brooklyn, N. Y. She says: "I am humble—and grateful—that God has called my daughter to Christian service, for 'The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few.' "

I doubt that I should have listened for God, had it not been for my mother preparing me to hear; I doubt that I should have followed him, had she not set me free inwardly, long before; I doubt that I should have stayed, apart from her faith and love. I have no desire to depreciate the power and love of God, but rather to thank him for what he has done through her.

—Patricia Morsani, *Instructor*
Texas State College for Women

ORGANIZATION AND PROMOTION

MRS. ELOISE A. WOOLEVER,

Executive Secretary, Woman's Section, Division of Education and Cultivation

Officers' Training Day

One of the most important days in the calendar of the local society is the Officers' Training Day. Every subdistrict or zone should have a training day to which all the officers of the societies in that area will go and where district officers will be present to instruct and enthuse new and former officers with the possibilities of their tasks. This subdistrict Training Day should be held in May, after the officers have been elected in April so that they will be ready to take up their duties in June at the beginning of the new year.

However, it may happen that your subdistrict has not been able to have Officers' Training Day in April, and cannot in May. What then? An Officers' Training Day in the local society, by all means. In May, too, so that the officers will begin their tasks in June with the "know-how."

The following suggestions will be helpful in either the subdistrict or local Training Day, with proper adaptation:

BEFORE the Training Day, ask each officer to bring with her the March and April issues of THE METHODIST WOMAN. Each officer should also bring with her the officers' leaflet pertaining to her office (secured and given to her beforehand). The president should have a copy of the *Officers' Training Day*, handbook for each officer, and *A Guide*.

The secretary of Promotion should have a copy of the *Record and Report Book* and copies of the leaflet, *Your Report, a Measurement of Progress*.

PROCEDURE

I. A short talk by the president on the privilege and honor conferred on an officer when she is elected. The society has confidence in her ability and consecration to the task. [*10 minutes*]

II. Materials. (The secretary of Literature should show a copy of each of these and describe it briefly.) [*8 minutes*]

1) ***A Guide***
2) ***Handbooks* for the various officers**
3) ***My Calendar***
4) ***How Wide Are Our Hearts***
5) **THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK**

III. Have each officer tell in one minute her principal duties. (She will have read her leaflet previously and have underscored duties.) [*20 minutes*]

IV. Divide the group into committees, with proper personnel: Program, Finance, Membership, and Missionary Personnel. Let each committee have a "buzz session"—six minutes—to discuss its function, and at the end have the chairman give a two-minute report as to its duties. (Because of overlapping in membership of committees, there will need to be two "buzz sessions.") [*30 minutes*]

V. Have secretary of Promotion give to each officer her first quarter's report blank. Let each one ask any questions concerning it, then take it with her to study and fill out when due. [*10 minutes*]

VI. The Advance plans for 1951-52. Have each officer turn to the "Advance Clipper" in the March issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. The president should briefly describe the Progressive Visitation, and tell of the follow-up of the Atlas Plan which has been or is to be launched at the Pledge Service in May. (By this time the plans will have been worked out so well that probably many of the officers will be familiar with them, but all should understand and be enthusiastic promoters of the plans.) [*20 minutes*]

VII. Turn to the April issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. Give each officer her letter to take home and study. Look at the "Calendar of Special Activities." Glance briefly through the activities for June, July, and August, calling attention to duties of officers. [*15 minutes*]

VIII. In five minutes have the president sum up the year's task as she sees it, with special emphasis on the spiritual and educational and action features growing out of study of the program. [*5 minutes*]

This is a long agenda, but if carefully planned can be carried through in two hours in the local society. In the district more time will be needed.

100,000 CANDLES
OUR JOB . . .
TO KEEP THEM BURNING

WHAT MAKES A CANDLE GO OUT?

A sudden draft, maybe.

Or somebody blowing hard!

A splash of water.

Insecure footing.

A defective wick.

An air-tight cover.

Let us guard our 100,000 candles so that not one light is lost.
It is a great responsibility to be Keepers of the Flame.
Many of the lighted candles may burn without attention;
But we need to be constantly on the alert.
And those candles that could *not* be lighted in the beginning
Are needed, too, to make the perfect pattern of unbroken light.

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ADVANCE CLIPPER

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DEDICATION OF TALENTS SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP: Scripture reading, I Corinthians 12:27-31.

LEADER: We, too, are many members of one body, seeking for the "more excellent way" in service. No two of us have just the same abilities, and the Woman's Society of Christian Service needs them all to make it fully effective. Some of us may not have thought of ourselves as talented persons, until this minute: but remembering that "all service ranks the same with God," we may find abilities we have overlooked or taken for granted which we can here dedicate. Each individual makes a needed contribution to the whole. This is true, too, of nations: the poem we are using here for our thought, "Whene'er Thou Art in Need of Me," comes to us from a Christian Chinese pastor.[1]

UNISON READING OR SINGING: Tune No. 229, "And Can It Be," or No. 236, "Faith of Our Fathers." (*Solo voice may be substituted if desired.*)

WHENE'ER THOU ART IN NEED OF ME

"When thou wouldst pour the living stream,
Then I would be the earthen cup,
Filled to the brim and sparkling clear.
The fountain, thou, and living spring,
Flow thou through me, the vessel weak,
That thirsty souls may taste thy grace.

"When thou wouldst warn the people, Lord,
Then I would be the golden bell,
Swung high athwart the lofty tower,
Morning and evening sounding loud;
That young and old may wake from sleep,
Yea, e'en the deaf hear that strong sound.

"When thou wouldst light the darkness, Lord,
Then I would be the silver lamp,
Whose oil supply can never fail,
Placed high to shed the beams afar,
That darkness may be turned to light,
And men and women see thy face."

FIRST SPEAKER:

"When thou wouldst pour the living stream,
Then I would be the earthen cup."

What a wonderful thing it is to be the means of sharing God's grace with others, for their refreshing and renewing. The very greeting of people at the door of church or home contributes to this. Those duties which we usually associate with the Spiritual Life Cultivation may be shared by many, preparing a worship center—leading a worship service—offering prayer. And there are other quite different talents that may be used here, too. A brief telephone call—a visit to a shut-in—a friendly note—all are ways of sharing the stream from the living spring. New life and sparkling water remind us of our gardens; and growing flowers for the church altar and to take to the sick is surely a means of sharing God's grace. The earthen cup can be constantly full to overflowing.

SECOND SPEAKER:

"I would be the golden bell. . . .
Morning and evening sounding loud."

Christian women have a message for today's world which must sound above the discord of war and secularism and disillusionment. It must have a winsome quality and appeal for the community which, widened, is the world. It must have the note of recognition of the human rights of all in that community; and comradeship; and loyalty to truth. A message given at a monthly meeting—the leading of a study class—the supplying of timely items for the church bulletin board—all are part of this voice from "the lofty tower." Where knowledge and truth are shared, in love, the golden bell rings clear.

THIRD SPEAKER:

"When thou wouldst light the darkness, Lord,
Then I would be the silver lamp."

We want it to be literally true in our Woman's Society that we lighten the darkness. It is our privilege to see that the church is kept orderly and beautiful: that the silver is cleaned and meals prepared at which we share our fellowship. We remember that

our Master, whom we think of as the Light of the world, loved to share in breaking bread together. Some are able to lighten the darkness of the souls of others by their music, of voice or instrument. A home, too, hospitably opened, may be a silver lamp for the lonely—for youth groups—for students away from home. And, by the work of our hands, we scatter the darkness of cold and want; and cheer and warmth and friendliness come in their stead. If you can sew or mend or quilt or knit, your handiwork may be a silver lamp.

LEADER: "Diversities of gifts, but the same spirit."
—I Corinthians 12:4

"For the body is not one member, but many." —I Corinthians 12:14

You will find prepared here a list of "talents," and space to add other services not listed, if you wish. Will you, in the next few minutes, read them thoughtfully, and then check the ways in which you will be ready to serve when called upon?

Earthen cup—golden bell—silver lamp. . . .

"Whene'er Thou art in need of me. . . ."

(Soft music, while cards are checked, signed, and collected.)

UNISON SINGING: Refrain of poem (tune No. 229 or No. 236).

"My body's thine, yea wholly thine
My spirit owns thee for its Lord.
Within thy hand I lay my all,
And only ask that I may be,
Whene'er thou art in need of me,
Alert and ready for thy call."

(This service prepared by Maude White Hardie)

[1] When the author, Pastor Hsi (1845-1896) became a Christian, he was cured of the opium habit; and much of his later life was spent in establishing and managing a score of refuges for opium addicts. He composed a number of hymns which have been loved by the Chinese people and sung to Chinese tunes. (From *The World at One in Prayer*, edited by Daniel Johnson Fleming. Harper and Brothers, publishers. 1942. Used by permission of Dr. Fleming.)

DEDICATION OF TALENTS

"We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee."

(Check those services which you would be ready to give, if called upon.)

1 Serving on a committee: Welcoming , Decorations , Membership , Kitchen , Program , any other .

2 Leading a worship service , preparing a worship center , leading in prayer , custodian of a Spiritual Life bookshelf .

3 Growing flowers for the altar or for the sick ; arranging flowers for special occasions .

4 Representing the Woman's Society or Guild on community councils or committees ; custodian of a Timely Topics bulletin board at church .

5 Speaking at a meeting ; leading a study class ; conducting discussions ; helping with dramatics .

6 Writing letters ; framing resolutions .

7 Cooking meals ; serving tables ; doing dishes .

8 Offering home hospitality: for a meeting , for youth of church , for community affairs , for guests of church or community (overnight) .

9 Doing handwork: sewing , knitting , quilting , Red Cross , hospital supplies .

10 Singing or playing a musical instrument (specifying) .

11 Neighborhood calling .

12 Something else? .

MY HOBBY IS HUMANITY

(A "Radio Skit" suggested for use in Progressive Visitation meetings, or as a basis for an actual radio program.)

INTERVIEWER: (*Extends welcome. Asks Mrs. X to give her name, address, etc., to the radio audience.*) Mrs. X, we are told that most people have a hobby that makes life more interesting to them, and makes them, in turn, more interesting to other people. May we ask, Mrs. X, if you are one of these people with a hobby? And, if so, what it is?

MRS. X: If a hobby is to be defined as an engrossing topic or interest, indeed, Yes. My hobby is *humanity.*

INTERVIEWER: That's very interesting, Mrs. X. Your hobby is humanity. I'm not just sure I see how it works. If your hobby, now, were buttons—or stamps—china teapots—ebony elephants—brass bells—But how about people—which maybe is a more familiar way of saying it than *humanity?*

MRS. X: Well, people seem to me the most important thing in the world. Some cynics have said how easy it would be to live in this world, if it weren't for the people in it. I feel, instead, that people are the result of the conditions under which they grow: and part of my hobby is trying to help make those conditions the sort that foster growth in the right direction. Women can help a great deal in this way. A woman I know said recently, "If only the *women* of various nations could get together and talk over our problems, I doubt if it would be long that there would be any problems, but just one big community."

INTERVIEWER: Just what influences do you think determine the character of people, Mrs. X?

MRS. X: Education is one. If it is the right sort, it can build a variety of backgrounds and viewpoints into a harmonious whole. Take Isabella Thoburn College in Lucknow, India. The student body is composed of Christians, Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs, Zoroastrians, and a Buddhist. They speak in fourteen languages. They come from a variety of social backgrounds—some from wealthy and politically prominent families, some from those lowly and obscure. But these young women are a harmonious whole as they study and work and play together; and the ideals of Isabella Thoburn are helping definitely to shape the new India.

INTERVIEWER: You are speaking of the training of leaders, Mrs. X—of a highly selective group as to mental caliber and leadership ability. How about the rank and file—and children, who never yet have had a chance to show special abilities, even if they had them? The world is full of these.

MRS. X: Yes—our own country, as well as the rest of the world. The situation of many of our American Indians has always stirred me—they who are really our "first families" have been crowded out of their human rights too often. We who are mothers and teachers would say that every child has certain rights: to play—to be well and strong—to feel safe—to be loved.

INTERVIEWER: The U.N. would agree with you, Mrs. X, in its Declaration of Human Rights. But you were saying specifically about the American Indian—

MRS. X: Among the Navajo Indians, 80 per cent of whom are illiterate, are numbers of children who never had a chance to attend school. They were needed to tend the sheep that produce the wool that is woven into rugs, that are sold to support the family that is forced to send the children out to tend the sheep. So, around the circle. But during one month in the year, a school was opened for these youngsters. And not just a *school* was opened—a whole new way of life was opened—as they came together and learned shop work, home economics, reading in Navajo—and speaking in English! They learned to sing and to play and to know that people cared about them. Isn't this infinitely important? And perhaps from this group will come some one who will be a leader to carry this work to greater proportions.

INTERVIEWER: You say some *one,* Mrs. X. How much can *one* do?

MRS. X: It seems to me there is no limit apparently to what *one* can do, as we look back over work we have seen achieved. Last year in Manila in the Philippines, a ceremony of dedication was held for the opening of the new building of the Mary Johnston Hospital. It stands in one of the most crowded slum areas, relieving suffering, demonstrating cleanliness, teaching child-care, training nurses. The president of the Philippines gave a citation of merit on that reopening day to a woman doctor who nearly fifty years ago started all this—Dr. Rebecca Parrish. Born in a log cabin in Indiana, educated in a little red schoolhouse, raising and educating her orphaned brothers and sisters, she worked her way through her medical education. She has changed all of life for thousands and thousands of suffering people—and she is only *one.*

INTERVIEWER: But quite a *one!* You have been speaking chiefly about people of countries or groups outside our United States population, Mrs. X. Does your hobby include just regular Americans, too?

MY HOBBY IS HUMANITY (continued)

MRS. X: Indeed it does. Mothers who have to go to work every day, and can go with a free mind to concentrate on their work, because they are leaving their children in a safe and happy child-care center. Girls working in other cities across the land whose mothers know they are living in a home-away-from-home under right leadership, with freedom to exercise their creative gifts.

INTERVIEWER: You sound as though you would echo the sentiments of the Statue of Liberty, Mrs. X—

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses
Yearning to breathe free . . ."

MRS. X: "Send these, the tempest-tossed, to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door."

Yes, I do feel that way.

INTERVIEWER: I think you've justified your claim to calling humanity your hobby, Mrs. X. There is one other point I'd like to ask you a little more about. You have mentioned the importance of the *individual.* In days like these, when the world needs all the constructive effort possible for its holding together, do you have any suggestion for action?

MRS. X: I would like to share the plan in which 3,000,000 women or more will be engaged during the next few months. They are women concerned with human rights—the well-being—the abundant life—of each person around the world. They are the women of The Methodist Church, who are trying in their Advance program to enlist every woman church member of their denomination in membership in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. This organization maintains work of the sort I have referred to—and many other kinds—in 26 countries around the world, including our own, with its dependencies. They believe that fellowship in service enriches daily living and they are convinced that we, who have received so much through life in this free country, have an obligation to share. They aim to sustain a program of $8,000,000, which depends ultimately on the individual woman. It costs approximately 25 cents per second to maintain this total program. $15.00 per minute. $900.00 per hour. Each woman will be given opportunity to maintain this total program for as long as she finds possible—a modern Atlas.

INTERVIEWER: When those 3,000,000 plus women get going, Atlas had better look to his laurels. Thank you, Mrs. X.

(*Closing remarks*)

(This service prepared by Maude White Hardie)

100 PERCENTERS

The following Woman's Societies of Christian Service report every woman member of the church a member of the society:

Genesee: Hornell District—North Fork, Tioga Junction, Dalton, Wallace, Niles Valley.

New England: Springfield District—Turners Falls.

New York: Newburgh District—Braman, Pennsylvania; Union, Pennsylvania.

Pittsburgh: McKeesport District—Normalville, Brown Chapel.

Florida (S.E.): *West Palm Beach District*—Fellsmere.

Holston: Johnson City District—Golda Memorial.

Tennessee (S.E.): *Cookeville District*—Crab Orchard.

Western North Carolina: Charlotte District—Marvin, Harrison Charge.

Washington: Washington District—Daisy, Woodbine, Maryland.

Dakota: Western District—Vivian. *Northern District*—Onida, Devoe.

Indiana: Bloomington District—Heltonville. *Columbus District*—Mt. Pleasant. *Evansville District*—Olive Chapel (North Parish, Mt. Vernon). *New Albany District*—Salem. *Rushville District*—Mt. Pleasant in Union County.

North Dakota: Northern District—Columbus, Voltaire, Benedict, Grace City, Des Lacs. *Southern District*—Napoleon.

North Indiana: Ft. Wayne District—Poe.

North Iowa: Ft. Dodge District—Jolley.

Ohio: Dayton District—McMonigle.

Kansas: Emporia District—Kelso, Quincy, Mt. Vernon. *Kansas City District*—McLouth. *Ottawa District*—Selma. *Topeka District*—Corning, Padonia.

Nebraska: Northwest District—Jamison.

New Mexico: Pecos District—Southside, Odessa.

Southwest Missouri: Joplin District—Stella.

Texas (S.C.): *Galveston District*—Lane City. *Huntsville District*—Bedias, Phelps. *Nacogdoches District*—Bethlehem.

The following districts are newly reported as 100 per cent organized—*Philadelphia:* West District; *Pittsburgh:* Pittsburgh District; *West Virginia:* Lewisburg District; *Minnesota:* Minneapolis District; *Northwest:* Texas Plainview District.

To Local Secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities

Information and Action

DEAR FRIENDS:

By the time this issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN reaches you the officers for the new year (June 1, 1951—May 31, 1952) will have been elected and plans will be well under way for your *Officers' Training Day.* Your term of office may expire May 31, or you may have been elected for another year. In either case you have a very definite job to do by June 1, either to help your successor or to get your own plans well under way. Here are a few suggestions that you may find helpful.

1. THE METHODIST WOMAN for April contains the *Officers' Letter File* for the new year. One letter is addressed to the secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, and in it you will find some definite suggestions about your responsibilities.

2. The *Calendar of Special Activities* for the new year also appears in the April issue. The suggestions are *not* intended to *limit* the scope of your work, but simply to suggest a few important types of activities that are timely and urgent. Even the smallest society or Guild can do some of these things. Watch the pages of THE METHODIST WOMAN for helps.

3. You have in all probability kept a file of important leaflets and pamphlets, letters from your district or conference secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, and copies of your quarterly reports. This file will help you *or* your successor get started on the new year's responsibilities.

4. With the above general suggestions in mind, your major concern will relate to the grave issues facing Christians today. You will want to know where your committee can take hold most effectively and stimulate your entire Woman's Society or Guild to action. If you have not already secured the new leaflet *Activities for 1951-52** you will want the secretary of Literature and Publications to order enough copies at once for you and your committee, as well as for your president and *all* the members of the committee on Program of your society or Guild. This leaflet will give you some specific helps on problems that are of common concern.

5. On page 30 of this issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN you will find a discussion of some phases of the Christian woman's responsibility in these days of all-out efforts for *mobilizing the community resources in the civilian defense effort.* It is well to keep in mind the distinct and unique function of the Church and its agencies in relation to such community endeavors, remembering that our strength and resources must be "mobilized" to undergird and stabilize the faith of individuals and groups in these days of strain and uncertainty, so that soon we can reach the day when such defense efforts will no longer be necessary.

6. May is the month when special emphasis is placed on *The Family.* No longer can we isolate the family in the United States from the families in other parts of the world. Page 31 in this issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN points out some of the things the United Nations is doing for the family. This may well bring us to consider ways in which the United States can support the United Nations. We should shoulder this *larger* responsibility in a *smaller* world!

7. Many of you will cooperate in the May Fellowship Day Program. The new pamphlet entitled "Women at Work" has been prepared by the General Department of United Church Women for use in the May Fellowship Program and its *follow-up.* You may want to secure a copy from General Department of United Church Women, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y. Price 40 cents.

8. Finally, let us remember that our job in these days is basically the job of strengthening our "Christian Faith for Revolutionary Times." Have you ordered the new pamphlet by Harold A. Bosley, *A Faith for Revolutionary Times;** price 45 cents?

Sincerely,

THELMA STEVENS
DOROTHY WEBER
MARGARET R. BENDER

UNITED NATIONS FILMSTRIPS

At the request of the Film Distribution Officer of the United Nations, the Commission on World Peace is serving as the distribution agency for free copies of 35 mm. United Nations filmstrips. They are available to Methodist individuals, churches, and organizations for educational purposes. Order from the Commission on World Peace of The Methodist Church, 740 Rush Street, Chicago 11, Illinois.

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati 2, Ohio, or Distributing Offices.

Our Children and the National Emergency

"To help produce a generation of Americans that can take modern life and so be able to make a kind of life that is easier to take." This expression of the purpose of the Midcentury White House Conference on Children and Youth summarizes the importance of the conference and the necessity for follow-up plans.

Concern for the children and young people of our families, churches, and towns has always been an important part of our lives. With life becoming more tense and the importance of every step we take nationally and internationally becoming daily more obvious, we are all looking for concrete ways in which we can express this concern.

In his address to the conference, President Truman said: "We cannot insulate our children from the uncertainties of the world in which we live or from the impact of the problems which confront us all. What we can do and must do is to equip them to meet these problems, to do their part in the total effort, and to build up the inner resources of character which are the main strength of the American people." The conference picked up there and much of its thought and planning centered around the effects of the threat of war on our children and youth. Two things came into focus as major emphases: the services to children which must be strengthened to provide as much protection as possible from the hazards of war and the disrupting forces of mobilization; and the needs for help, particularly psychological and spiritual help, for the young people who are faced with the necessity of carrying a great part of the burden of the emergency.

Margaret Mead stated the problem as related to the first group when she said: "Now because the task ahead of them is even more exacting than any task which Americans have yet faced, we must use the knowledge which the new sciences of human behavior have given us to create the conditions for strength that will be needed to give protection against loneliness, new resources within the self, new capacities for moving into the future."

How do we do it in our communities, you are asking. In the conference findings you will discover many specific ways which can be grouped under three important headings: services of love and personal security, offered by the family or its substitute; services of recreation and education offered by the community; and services offered primarily by the church, but reinforced by the family, which help a child to gain security and a sense of his place in the world by providing him with all possible opportunities to develop his own faith in God.[1]

We must keep in mind the fact that the defense program upon which the nation has embarked will pull children out of their accustomed security by taking fathers away from families, by tearing whole families up by their roots and transporting them to places miles away from anything that is familiar and loved, and by taking mothers out of homes for new employment. Thus we shall see the importance of increasing community services for children, in making sure that they are loving, well-administered services, and that they are open to all the children of the community.

It will be necessary, too, for church women to plan for the place of the church in welcoming new families to the community and in making sure that counseling and help are available when needed. Also, the community should provide a broad program of family help to insure the emotional security of the children who are placed in new and trying situations.

It may be advisable also to look into the manner in which the schools are handling defense instruction for children, particularly regarding the atom bomb, to see whether every effort is being made to instruct the children in necessary precaution without unduly alarming them. In several communities where women have devoted time and thought to this problem, they have discovered that some of the distress felt by younger children was due to confused and conflicting directions about what to do in time of emergency. Often church leaders need to talk this matter over with the children to be sure that they have had a chance to relate all their fears and confusion to the security of a deep faith.

For the teen-age and older young people, the services that the community and church should render are legion. Counseling service, to aid young men in finding out exactly how the provisions of military service will affect them and what their best choices are, is of great help in relieving emotional strain which might otherwise completely disrupt their lives. Discussion groups in which they can talk out their conflicts and learn more about the world situation will often be of great benefit to both men and women in this age group.

Another area in which women might pioneer is that of inducing local Chambers of Commerce and employers to begin to think of a way in which worth-while employment can be offered to young men for the period which may elapse between their graduation and the time when the army is ready for them.

Once the church women of America begin to realize this challenge, the opportunities for service in this direction will be endless.

[1] See *"What Could Not This Child Become?"* Literature Headquarters, 3 cents each; 12 for 25 cents; 100 for $1.75.

United Nations and Family Life

"The family is the national and fundamental group unit of society and is entitled to protection by society and the state"—Section 3, Article 16, Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

THE role of the United Nations in protecting the family as a vital force in the development of stable individuals is one that is little understood. Yet on every continent one finds families who owe their continued existence to the United Nations' activities. It may be a family that has been removed from a displaced persons camp to a good home in a new land through the United Nations efforts. It may be a family where the health of the father and mother has been so much improved by United Nations medical action that the family can now be reunited. It may be any of several hundred different kinds of ways in which the United Nations has helped families to find their way in a difficult world. But whatever the exact circumstances are, these families are conscious of the fact that a new kind of world interest has been turned on their problems through the United Nations. It is only through the improvement of international cooperation through the United Nations that real security for families around the world can be guaranteed. The work that the United Nations is doing in this field can be grouped under three heads:

1. The development of legal provisions to protect the family and to give children opportunities for proper development. Many of the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights besides the one listed above work toward this safeguarding. For instance, Article 23 says that "Everyone who works has the right to just and favorable remuneration insuring for himself and his family an existence worthy of human dignity and supplemented, if necessary, by other means of social protection." And Article 25 states that motherhood and childhood are entitled to special care and assistance. Article 26 also contains the provision that "Parents have a prior right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children."

In addition to this and at least fourteen other provisions in the Declaration which in one way or another are intended to protect the family and its children, there are provisions safeguarding the family's welfare in two new declarations of rights which are in the process of development in the United Nations. These are the Declaration of the Rights of Children and the Declaration of the Rights of Stateless Persons.

2. Efforts to improve the material circumstances of families so that great family stability can be achieved. The technical assistance program of the United Nations and many other activities of the Economic and Social Council and the Specialized Agencies are making life better for families, particularly those who live in the underdeveloped areas of the world where half of the children die before they reach the age of fifteen years and where most families are hungry, ill housed, ill clothed, and completely untouched by the medical knowledge which could save them from so much suffering. When the programs of technical assistance which have been planned for twenty-one countries bring better health, literacy, and better methods of producing food to millions of people a great step will have been taken to protect family life.

3. Measures to provide greater emotional stability and maturity for families and the individual members. Just as the Midcentury White House Conference stressed things like the security of an atmosphere of love and a good community where everyone had an equal chance to enjoy the opportunities for education and recreation, so the Social Commission of the United Nations has made a wonderful beginning in the problem of explaining and interpreting these needs around the world and in providing help in achieving them in local situations. This has meant work to establish new social welfare training centers, educational projects to find ways of introducing love and trust into the lives of children whose whole philosophy of life had been warped by years of war, tremendous projects to bring about the reuniting of families and activities in twenty-three other specific fields which directly contribute to this phase of building family life.

The possibilities of the United Nations' achievements in these three fields are breathtaking, opening up new vistas of service. When we realize how thriftily this new hope for the families of the earth is bought—that all the U.N. connected projects including the support of the U.N. itself, the Specialized Agencies, the technical assistance program, and the contributions to special relief projects conducted through the United Nations such as the relief for Arab refugees cost each man, woman, and child in the United States the modest sum of eighty cents annually—one wonders whether a better investment in human welfare ever were offered.

Methodists See UN at Work

By BETTY THOMPSON

GLISTENING in the warm sun the handsome new United Nations building reaches toward the sky above New York representing international good will and the prayers of millions of peace-loving people.

World-minded Methodists were among the first to visit the new structure which is built on international soil bordering New York's East River. This was the last stop on a four-day tour of the world government organization. Here the group met Mrs. Tennison Woods, Australia, chief of the Status of Women section of the Commission on Human Rights for an interview.

A lawyer, a doctor, businessmen, a college president, a retired missionary—these were among the 140 men and women from 23 states attending the November seminar. From Lake Success, where they attended such important meetings as those of the Trusteeship Council, to Flushing Meadows, where they sat in respectful silence in the General Assembly Hall and heard history made in the hotly debated re-election of Secretary General Trygvie Lee, the group got a broad picture of the UN in action. Before attending sessions they were briefed at Methodist Headquarters, 150 Fifth Avenue, by the Woman's Division official UN observer, Mrs. Clifford Bender. Three agencies of the church sponsored the seminar: the Woman's Division, the Board of Education, and the Commission on World Peace.

In the smooth, modern atmosphere of the UN council rooms and assembly halls the students of UN procedure heard some rough old truths about poverty, war, and human suffering. They wore Buck Rodgers-appearing earphones with five-way dials which enabled them to hear the speaker in Russian, Spanish, French, Chinese, or English. A flick of the finger and they could tune in a rapid, simultaneous translation in any one of the above-mentioned, varied languages.

At Lake Success the group looked through wide expanses of plate glass on to peaceful green lawns as they lunched with members of the Secretariat—those 3,000 world civil service employees who pledge allegiance to the UN before any single government. They talked with some of these representatives of the sixty member nations, private citizens like themselves who serve the UN in some special way in which they are experts—from typists to university faculty economists.

Some of the delegates remembered Flushing Meadows as it was for the 1939 World's Fair, a maze of people and buildings. Now the one huge hall which houses the sessions of the General Assembly stands rather desolately on the winter brown of the fair grounds. But as they disembarked from the chartered buses which shuttled the ten miles from Success to Flushing, the Methodist men and women thrilled to the sight of sixty brilliantly colored flags flapping in the breezes.

Like most visitors who have watched the UN in newsreel or on television, the visitors were amazed at the small, parlorlike atmosphere of the council rooms with their thick carpets and handsome furniture. All of the delegates were impressed by the seriousness in which members of all nations approached their tasks. They saw the attention given to some of the important agencies which fail to make headlines but do exciting things in human conservation—the International Refugee Organization, World Health Organization, and the UN Food and Agricultural Organization. And they were impressed with the smaller countries' willingness to "speak up" and disagree with the larger nations.

How to take this new-found interest and information back to church and community was discussed in the meetings at Methodist Headquarters that began and concluded the seminar. In these talks experts told of different ways for making a community UN conscious through the press, special programs, and promotion events on a community-wide basis.

Many Methodist women called the seminar "a dream realized" and felt that the importance of the UN in our upset world had given them a responsibility "to lend my aid," however small, in building up interest in the UN and putting into practice the spirit of brotherhood in my community." They agreed that working at home for an earnest effort to promote peace in their own communities was the most valuable method they could use.

Visiting the United States Mission to the UN, Methodists heard a liaison officer describe the complex efficiency of that organization with its researchers, press officers, which service the United States delegates to the UN. And they heard stressed something they had themselves observed in everyone connected with the UN from the guards at the gate to the experts who explained the subtleties of the Point Four program and technical assistance—that is—a spirit of friendliness and cooperation — world hospitality.

United Nations Seminars have become important in the lives of Methodists. There have been four cooperative seminars held under the joint auspices of the World Peace Commission, the Board of Education, and the Woman's Division. One seminar was held especially for the women who had attended the Assembly in Cleveland. The Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities has cooperated in two student seminars. This year one was put on especially for the Wesleyan Service Guild. (See page 33.) In addition there have been twelve seminars lasting from a day and a half to three days for groups who came from a distance to have a real UN experience. All the seminars are similar to the one described by Miss Thompson, a member of the News Service staff of the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

United Nations—Washington Guild Weekend

"How I did enjoy our weekend in New York and Washington," writes a conference Guild secretary. "It was wonderful. I've thought many times since how well planned and how very enjoyable it all was. I had been sight-seeing there before, but this was so different and so worth while."

The Guild had excellent leadership. All are very grateful to Mrs. Margaret Bender and Mrs. Eleanor Neff Curry of the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, and to Miss Doris Dennison of the Board of Education, Nashville, for making possible the fine program of briefing sessions, interviews, activities, and work periods on "How to Use at Home."

The weekend program started on the World Day of Prayer. It was therefore very fitting that the first session, in the chapel of the Methodist Building, New York, on Friday morning, should be a worship service led by Mrs. Maude White Hardie, author of *We Seek Him Together.*

Mrs. Bender next prepared the group for the visit to United Nations, calling special attention to *A Christian's Primer of the United Nations,** with the explanatory chart in the middle spread.

Just before the bus left for Lake Success, Dr. Ralph Stoody, director of Methodist Information Service, came with a fine photographer to take the picture shown on page 35. He told how to secure publicity, and sent a brief story of the weekend to the home-town papers of all present.

Out at Lake Success, everyone was glad to learn something of how U.N. functions. The sessions of UNICEF proved very interesting. Luncheon in the cafeteria started some new acquaintances with people from other countries, and gave one member of the party an interview, after lunch, with the Russian delegate, who asked for a copy of *A Christian's Primer of the United Nations.**

At five o'clock the bus dropped the group at the U.N. Mission, 2 Park Avenue, New York, where Mr. Frank Potter explained the relationship between the United Nations and the Department of State at Washington, and traced the lines by which action is initiated, sometimes by one and sometimes by the other. He showed that the job of the Honorable Warren R. Austin, the United States delegate to U.N., whose office was next door, is very demanding and requires a full day beginning at nine in the morning and usually running until midnight. In fact, this is the program of most of the diplomatic representatives of U.N. The schedule during the Assembly, Mr. Potter said, was the hardest work ever done by its members.

In the evening, back at chapel, Miss Dennison led the group through some filmstrips and a moving picture of U.N., and showed how each could be used back home for information and for considering problems arising from discussion.

Saturday morning she conducted a workshop on "How to Use at Home" the great amount of information that had been gathered in programs, talks, and workshops. All agreed it was a very valuable session. Perhaps the outstanding feature was that of division into vocational groups—teachers, nurses,

Wesleyan Service Guild leaders at the United Nations-Washington Guild Weekend, February 9-12: *(left to right, lower)* Miss Marion Lela Norris, New York; Mrs. Clifford A. Bender, Leonia, New Jersey; *(upper)* Miss Eleanor Clarkson, New York; Miss Hazel Drew, Bradford, Pennsylvania; Mrs. George Dismukes, Westville, Oklahoma; Mrs. Charles W. Mead, Omaha, Nebraska; Mrs. Blanche Hughes, Louisa, Kentucky

businesswomen, social workers, religious workers—from each of which came practical suggestions of the contribution it could make in bringing about a better understanding of the United Nations and in promoting its program in local churches and communities.

During the special luncheon at the Villa Sweden, Mrs. Bender, who presided, introduced two speakers who proved mentally stimulating and challenging: Madam Grinberg-Vinaver of France, who spoke for the Section on Status of Women of the United Nations, and Miss Luella Reckmeyer, of the General Department of Woman's Work of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. Both messages showed what a long way women have gone, yet how much support all must give before women and children in many countries can enjoy the rights and privileges that women in the United States take for granted. For example, Mrs. Grinberg-Vinaver, who has been in this country over ten years, has never had the privilege of voting in her native land. Miss Reckmeyer recognized the opportunities the Wesleyan Service Guild gives its members, and suggested that there were many ways in which they can be shared with other employed women in their home towns through employed women's groups connected with the United Church Women.

Christ Church unit of the Wesleyan Service Guild graciously invited the delegates to tea at their church from four to five-thirty Saturday afternoon.

The evening was left free for each to choose her own leisure-time activities.

Sunday morning most of the group went to Christ Church, where seats had been reserved for them, and heard Dr. Ralph W. Sockman's stimulating Lenten sermon.

Following the service, there was a tour of the church conducted by a Guild member who works at the Board of Missions.

Not all were able to go on to Washington, but the briefing session there was attended by many local Guild, and some Woman's Society members Sunday evening.

Mrs. Curry had asked Miss Florence Worrell, daughter of Mrs. Ruth Mougey Worrell, formerly of the United Council of Church Women, to tell about the Women's Bureau, with which she is connected. The work of this bureau is with exchange visitors—women who come from other countries to study some special phase of work in the United States to prepare them for more satisfactory work on return. She gave an excellent statement with suggestions as to what we could do to promote the exchange of women between this country and others. There is a chance for people here to go to other countries. They must speak the language of the country to which they go. Miss Worrell gave many illustrations of ways in which people here can be of help to them. Perhaps the most outstanding was that of a taxi driver in Chicago who was taking a European woman from one station to another. She asked him what she could and should see in the three hours that she had between trains. He replied that the only way to do that in Chicago was to use a taxi. Her response was one of appreciation for the information but desperation at the thought, for she had no money. He looked surprised, by a bit of questioning found out her mission here, turned off his meter, and for three hours drove her around Chicago. Her amazement that such a thing could happen and her appreciation were unbounded.

Next there was a panel on "Christian Citizens and Political Action" by Mrs. Curry, Mr. Tom Keehn of the Council for Social Action of the Congregational-Christian Church who has an office in Washington, and Mr. Raymond E. Wilson of the Friends Committee on National Legislation. They gave an excellent survey of "what is done in Washington and where the local citizen comes into the picture." They prepared the group for the events of the next day, showing channels through which the church can become informed and take action, both as groups and as individuals, voicing opinions on matters of national policy.

Mr. Keehn startled everyone with the statement: "Not to act is to act. By doing nothing, you do something."

Mr. Wilson said the church has a contribution to make for the church, more than governments, lives close to people. The Protestant church has not done more than 5 per cent of what it should have done.

Mrs. Curry said that churches began by being against recognized vices. In the last thirty years the church has gone out against evils that stunt man's growth. She referred to the actions taken by The Methodist Church at its last General Conference, and to actions of the Woman's Division.

When writing to congressmen about the action of a local group, it is always necessary to state specifically the action, when taken, and by what group.

In addition, the individual Christian citizen should express his convictions to his congressmen, but he should be much more concerned than is usually the case with churchmen and churchwomen in giving expression to appreciation for positive steps taken. He is said to be ready, always, to complain of what has not been done. Often the lack of proper action can be traced directly to apathetic citizens who have not been aware of what is going on until the proverbial "horse has been stolen" and it is too late to "lock the barn." Pressure groups, not always of the right kind, know the psychological value of the positive method.

The Methodist Commission on World Peace makes it easy to secure the names and addresses of senators and representatives. Send to the commission, 740 Rush Street, Chicago 11, Illinois, for a copy of *Register Christian Opinion!* (Issue of January 3, 1951. Free.) Every

Guild member should have access to this valuable leaflet.

At eight o'clock on Monday morning all met for breakfast in the Supreme Court Building cafeteria, then went to the Senate Office Building, where each one called on a senator from her own state and secured a ticket of admission to the Senate.

Mrs. Curry had arranged the first interview with Senator Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota. He said that he had had to choose between a dinner party on Sunday evening and said that when people think something is right, they should say so, and help to "keep people's spirits good."

He felt that the present prospect for social legislation is not too good, that liberalism is a casualty in every defense situation. Churches should be recruiting by the thousands to carry the "good news" to needy peoples. Jesus identified himself with the masses. That is what communists are doing. Too many church people today want to be "respectable." Jesus felt it important to feed the hungry and to heal the sick. He was a great Educator. "Part of my religion," the senator continued, "is to work for a vote on a bill that does things in social attitudes and action."

The four-day seminar was enjoyed by Guild leaders from widely scattered home towns

or meeting the Guild group on Monday morning, and had decided that the latter held more value. The clear picture he gave of the life of a senator was extremely enlightening. He had read over 3,000 letters over the weekend; he receives from twenty to twenty-five visitors on the average, daily, and has from twenty-five to thirty long-distance telephone calls; the office staff works from 8:00 A. M. to 2:00 P. M. on Saturday, and two nights a week. He said that he had never before worked so hard, and that he seldom had time for dinner with his family. One of the real tragedies is that people back home do not realize how much work congressmen do.

Senator Humphrey personalized the points brought out in the panel concerning letters to congressmen,

He does not think that the problems in Asia will be solved with military force. The churches of this country could do a tremendous job helping our country to "lift its sights." The atom bomb will liquidate people but not solve the problem. The policy must be to go back to something constructive.

A representative from the State Department, Mr. Paul Marcy, explained how the government's plan of checks and balances operates between congressmen and the State Department, and the value of the bipartisan foreign policy. In the next interview, Dr. Steven Bailey, administrative assistant to Senator William Benton, discussed the current wage-price control problem and explained how Congress makes a law. He showed why there were certain administrative problems and handicaps, spoke of and illustrated some of the pressures coming from many organizations for exemptions, and explained that the problem to deal fairly and to protect manufacturer, employee, and consumer is tremendous. He summarized by saying that "individuals should judge their personal needs in relation to the needs of others in making requests of the government." One function of groups like the Wesleyan Service Guild, he said, is to help people understand the problems involved, and determine to what extent the request is a demand of a particular interest or in line with the public interest.

At twelve o'clock all went to visit the Senate, and were thrilled to have President Truman's message on "Wheat for India" read. They also heard the first part of Senator Ralph E. Flanders' (Vermont) message to the Senate on "Terms of an Honest Peace."

Following lunch in a tiny cafeteria in the Senate Office Building, the group went to the State Department Building, where Mr. Wilfred Malenbaum spoke on Foreign Economic Aid, including the big programs (ECA, Marshall Plan, etc.) and the newer Point IV Program. He explained the necessity for aid to backward countries that they may be able, in the not-too-distant future, to help themselves. "Wheat for India" was discussed as one emergency measure of the department.

The closing statement of Senator Humphrey's talk stayed in the minds of all and will continue to be a challenge and, it is hoped, to bear fruit: "If you as churchwomen are concerned about leadership in Congress, we as congressmen are alarmed about the lack of genuine leadership in the church at home."

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OHIO—
Lakeside School—Lakeside, Ohio.....July 22-27
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Chairman: MRS. H. REBER, Ashville, Ohio.
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Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois.....June 25-29
Dean: MRS. DAVID C. SHIPLEY, 2724 Lawndale Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.
Des Plaines Institute—Des Plaines, Illinois.....July 10-12
Dean: MRS. HOMER CHERRINGTON, 1725 Orrington Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS—McKendree College, Lebanon, Illinois July 30-August 3
Dean: MRS. W. A. McCRACKEN, 110 South Spruce Street, Greenville, Illinois.
Chairman: MRS. QUINCY MATHIS, 2501 State Street, Granite City, Illinois.

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ORTHEASTERN JURISDICTION

BALTIMORE—Westminster, Maryland.....July 29-August 3
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ERIE—Chautauqua, New York.....August 19-23
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GENESEE—Camp Wesleyan, Silver Lake, New York.....July 16-19
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Dean: MRS. HARVEY K. MOUSLEY, 250 Massachusetts Avenue, Providence 5, Rhode Island.
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Dean: MRS. ROLAND CARR, Ossipee, New Hampshire.
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NEW JERSEY—New Jersey Conference Centre, Pemberton, New Jersey.....July 9-13
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NEW YORK—Drew Seminary, Carmel, New York.....July 24-27
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PENINSULA—Wesley Junior College, Dover, Delaware.....July 11-15
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PHILADELPHIA—Pocono Plateau School, Cresco, Star Route, Pennsylvania.....July 7-14
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Dean: MRS. E. H. SINGER, 6939 Thomas Boulevard, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
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TROY—Poultney, Vermont.....July 24-27
Dean: MRS. SYDNEY SMITH, 6 Furman Place, Delmar, New York.
Chairman: MRS. JAMES A. PERRY, Middleburg, New York.

WEST VIRGINIA—West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, West Virginia.....July 16-21
Dean: REV. JAMES CLAIR JARVIS, 322 Fairmont Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia.
Conference Secretary of Missionary Education: MRS. JESSE L. VAN HORN, Betty Gayle Apartments, Reservation Hill, Williamson, West Virginia.

WYOMING—Sky Lake, Windsor, New York.....July 15-19
Dean: MRS. C. GERALD BLAKE, 1638 Sanderson Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

OUTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION

CENTRAL KANSAS—Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas.....July 29-August 3
Dean: DR. CAUTIOUS CHOATE, 307 Derby Building, Wichita, Kansas.
Chairman: MRS. ROBLEY W. DAVIS, Stafford, Kansas.

CENTRAL TEXAS—Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.....August 21-24
Dean: MRS. E. L. REID, 301 Bellevue, Cleburne, Texas.
Chairman: MRS. CHARLES CULBERTSON, Waxahachie, Texas.

EAST OKLAHOMA—Camp Egan, Tahlequah, Oklahoma.....July 22-27
Dean: MRS. JOE BARHAM, Antlers, Oklahoma.
Chairman: MRS. J. B. SLAIGHT, 1162 Summit, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

KANSAS—Baldwin, Kansas.....July 17-20
Dean: REV. JOYCE WILSON, Baldwin, Kansas.
Conference Secretary of Missionary Education: MRS. STANLEY B. RICHARDS, 3401 State Avenue, Kansas City 2, Kansas.

LITTLE ROCK—Aldersgate, Little Rock, Arkansas.....July 24-26
Chairman: MRS. EUGENE STEWART, 307 McMillen Trail, Little Rock, Arkansas.

LOUISIANA—Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana.....August 27-31
Dean: REV. E. R. HAUG, Leesville, Louisiana.
Chairman: Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, 2338 Vaimont Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

MISSOURI AREA (St. Louis, Missouri, Southwest Missouri)—Central College, Fayette, Missouri.....July 23-27
Dean: MRS. JAMES O. MARTIN, 19 A Kuhlman Court, Columbia, Missouri.
Chairman: MRS. J. C. DAVIS, 1065 Wall St., St. Louis 15, Missouri.

NEBRASKA—Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln, Nebraska.....August 27-31
Dean: MRS. H. M. COX, 1146 North 44th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.
Chairman: MRS. A. R. MARQUARDT, 825 South 37th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

NEW MEXICO—Sacramento, New Mexico.....July 23-27
Dean: REV. RAY B. McGREW, Tucumcari, New Mexico.
Conference Secretary of Missionary Education: MRS. A. E. LANG, 1140 East Rio Grande, El Paso, Texas.

NORTH ARKANSAS—Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas.....July 23-27
Dean: MRS. JAMES S. UPTON, Conway, Arkansas.
Chairman: MRS. W. HENRY GOODLOE, 300 North 15th Street, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

NORTH TEXAS—Sulphur Springs, Texas.....July 23-28
Dean: MRS. FRED LOVE, Box 218, Talco, Texas.
Chairman: MRS. F. A. RAY, Route 1, Denton, Texas.

NORTHWEST TEXAS—Texas Technological College, Lubbock, Texas.....July 30-August 3
Dean: MRS. T. W. WHIGHAM, 4215 West 3rd Street, Amarillo, Texas.
Chairman: MRS. M. B. HILBURN, 1909 31st Street, Lubbock, Texas.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS—Kerrville, Texas.....August 20-24
Dean: DR. R. F. CURL, 235 West Woodlawn, San Antonio 1, Texas.
Chairman: MRS. O. N. BEER, 201 East Rosewood, San Antonio 1, Texas.

TEXAS—Lakeview, Palestine, Texas.....August 27-31
Dean: DR. M. M. CHUNN, Huntsville, Texas.
Chairman: MRS. J. T. DABNEY, Livingston, Texas.

WEST OKLAHOMA—Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....August 13-18
Dean: MRS. ROY A. DILLON, 2028 N. W. 21st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
Chairman: MRS. VIRGIL NEELY, 2248 N. W. 19th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION

ALABAMA—Huntingdon College, Montgomery, Alabama.....August 13-17
Dean: REV. J. B. NICHOLS, Greenville, Alabama.
Conference Secretary of Missionary Education: MRS. C. H. SHERRER, 722 North 65th Avenue, Pensacola, Florida.

FLORIDA—Florida Southern College, Lakeland, Florida.....August 6-10
Dean: MRS. R. J. BROYLES, 504 South Lake Avenue, Lakeland, Florida.

HOLSTON—Sullins College, Bristol, Virginia.....June 18-22
Dean and Chairman: MRS. H. M. RUSSELL, Box 848, Radford, Virginia.

KENTUCKY—Sue Bennett College, London, Kentucky.....August 27-31
Dean and Chairman: MRS. THORPE MILES, 17 Holmes Avenue, Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

LINCOLN LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL (in cooperation with Central Jurisdiction)—Kentucky State College, Frankfort, Kentucky.....June 24-30
Dean: MRS. G. W. HUMMEL, Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE—Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky.....August 13-17
Dean: MRS. LANDER J. CHISHOLM, Earlington, Kentucky.
Chairman: MISS FERN STOKES, Earlington, Kentucky.

MEMPHIS—Lambuth College, Jackson, Tennessee.....August 20-24
Dean: MRS. C. M. HENDERSON, 4041 North Walnut Grove Circle, Memphis, Tennessee.
Chairman: MRS. E. V. UNDERHILL, 205 Church Street, Covington, Tennessee.

MISSISSIPPI—Seashore Methodist Assembly, Biloxi, Mississippi.....August 6-10
Dean: MRS. R. R. PRIDDY, 308 Keener, Jackson 2, Mississippi.
Chairman: MRS. J. W. CLARK, Utica, Mississippi.

NORTH ALABAMA—Birmingham Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama.....August 27-31
Dean: MRS. L. L. JACKSON, 1413 Cleburn Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama.
Chairman: MRS. E. O. SHIPMAN, 2017 Hickory Road, Birmingham, Alabama.

NORTH CAROLINA (North Carolina and Western North Carolina)—Greensboro College, Greensboro, North Carolina.....September 2-7
Dean: MRS. GURNEY P. HOOD, 911 West Johnson Street, Raleigh, North Carolina
Chairman: MRS. N. P. EDENS, Kittrell, North Carolina.

NORTH GEORGIA—Emory University, Emory University, Georgia
August 27-31
Chairman: MRS. S. REAVES GASTON, 217-B Poplar Circle, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI—Camp Lake Stephens, Oxford, Mississippi
August 20-24
Dean and Chairman: MRS. A. N. WILLIAMSON, 306 High, Greenwood, Mississippi.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Columbia College, Columbia, South Carolina
June 25-29
Dean: MRS. W. E. DuRANT, Elliott, South Carolina.
Chairman: MRS. R. T. WILSON, Laurens, South Carolina.

SOUTH GEORGIA—Wesleyan Conservatory, Macon, Georgia
September 10-14
Dean and Chairman: Mrs. Scott A. Edwards, 501 East 50th Street, Savannah, Georgia.

TENNESSEE—Beersheba Springs, Tennessee.....July 30-August 3
Dean and Chairman: MRS. F. A. CALHOUN, 1030 Ben Allen Road, Nashville, Tennessee.

VIRGINIA—Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Virginia
September 4-8
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WESTERN JURISDICTION

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA—College of the Pacific, Stockton, California
August 13-17
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COLORADO—Pinecrest, Palmer Lake, Colorado.....July 24-26
Dean: MRS. C. M. WHITLOW, Rt. No. 1, Box 18, Berthoud, Colorado.

IDAHO—College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho.....July 23-27
Dean: MRS. FRED EATON, Wendell, Idaho.
Chairman: MRS. C. M. FISHER, 182 Lincoln Street, Twin Falls, Idaho.

MONTANA—Rocky Mountain College, Billings, Montana July 16-20
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Chairman: MRS. LOWELL JOHNSON, 522 Edison Street, Butte, Montana.

OREGON—Camp Magruder, Oregon.....July 30-August 4
Dean: MRS. E. B. REDMAN, 803 Front Street, Klamoth Falls, Oregon.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST—Tacoma, Washington.....August 5-10
Dean: MRS. H. C. CHRISTOPHER, 705 North 84th Ave., Seattle 3, Washington.
Chairman: MRS. ROY FREEMAN, 1102 Monitor St., Wenatchee, Washington.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA-ARIZONA—University of Redlands, Redlands, California.....August 21-24
Dean: MRS. ARTHUR YOUNG, 1040 Avenue B, Redondo Beach, California.

WYOMING STATE—Sheridan, Wyoming.....July 16-20
Dean: MISS GLADYS WADDELL, 806 S. Lincoln Street, Casper, Wyoming.
Chairman: MISS MAE BRUNER, Box 352, Wheatland, Wyoming.

Conference Schools for Girls—1951

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA—CARRIE BARGE HOUSE PARTY, Lycoming College, Williamsport, Pennsylvania.....July 1-8
Dean: MRS. W. R. MALONE, 303 Bridge Street, New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

DETROIT—WORLD FRIENDSHIP CAMP FOR GIRLS, Lake Huron Methodist Camp, Jeddo, Michigan.....July 29-August 4
Dean: MISS OLIVE HADLEY, 11780 Ohio Street, Detroit 4, Michigan.

GENESEE—CAMP WESLEYAN, Silver Lake, New York.....July 8-
Dean: MRS. ARTHUR WRIGHT, 794 Humboldt Parkway, Buffalo 11, New York.

KANSAS, MISSOURI, AND SOUTHWEST MISSOURI—HOUSE PARTY SCHOOL OF MISSIONS FOR GIRLS, National College for Christian Workers, 5123 Truman Road, Kansas City, Missouri.
Seniors.....June 10-
Junior High.....June 17-
Middlers—Sophomores and Freshmen.....June 24-
Dean: MRS. J. B. JOHNSON, 212 North Porter, Slater, Missouri.

MINNESOTA—MINNESOTA CONFERENCE GIRLS' SCHOOL, "Little Camp in the Hills," Medicine Lake, Minnesota.....June 17-
Dean: MRS. W. R. C. BAKER, Box 125, Morgan, Minnesota.

NEW JERSEY—NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE GIRLS' SCHOOL, New Jersey Conference Center, Pemberton, New Jersey.....July 9-
Dean: MRS. IRA S. PIMM, 318 Burd Street, Pennington, New Jersey.

NORTH INDIANA—YO-PE-MI-CA, Epworth Forest, Leesburg, Indiana.....June 24-
Dean: MRS. ERNEST LAWSHE, 133 W. Main Street, Peru, Indiana.

NORTHERN NEW YORK—GIRLS' FELLOWSHIP, Camp Aldersgate, Brantingham, New York.....July 8-
Dean: MRS. EWART E. TURNER, 29 Oxford Road, New Hartford, New York.

NORTH-EAST OHIO—GIRLS' SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE, Lakeside, Ohio.....July 15-
Dean: MRS. W. DALE COLE, 54 South Forest Avenue, Youngstown 6, Ohio

NORTHWEST INDIANA—3 M CAMP FOR GIRLS, Battle Ground, Indiana.....July 8-
Dean: MRS. B. E. KIRKPATRICK, Monticello, Indiana.

OHIO—GIRLS' SCHOOOL OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE, Lakeside, Ohio.....June 10-
Dean: MRS. HAROLD SCHEELE, 4524 Circle Avenue, Cincinnati 32, Ohio

PENINSULA—SCHOOL OF MISSIONS FOR GIRLS, Centerville, Maryland.....July 30-August
Dean: MRS. J. MERCER TERRELL, Elkton, Maryland.

PHILADELPHIA—GIRLS' SCHOOL OF MISSIONS, Camp Innabah, Pughtown, Pennsylvania.....June 23-
Dean: MRS. EDWIN L. McCAUSLAND, 66 West Greenwood Avenue, Lansdowne, Pennsylvania.

PITTSBURGH—GIRLS' and YOUNG WOMEN'S SCHOOL OF MISSIONS, Jumonville, Pennsylvania.....July 15-
Dean: MRS. HILLORA R. LEWIS, 640 Beverly Road, Pittsburgh 16, Pennsylvania.

ROCK RIVER—CAMP INSPIRATION, Girls' World Friendship Camp, Willerup Park Bible Camp on Lake Ripley, Cambridge, Wisconsin.....July 8-
Dean: MRS. HERBERT M. JONES, 5323 Galitz, Skokie, Illinois.

SOUTH CAROLINA (Central)—MATHER CAMP AND CHRISTIAN WORKERS' SCHOOL,

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA-ARIZONA—WORLD FRIENDSHIP CAMP, Idyllwild Pines, Idyllwild, California.....July 14-
Dean: MRS. HOWARD W. LINDOW, 5227 Highland Ave., Yorba Linda, California.

WYOMING—CAMP WYOGIMISCA, Sky Lake of Wyoming Conference, Windsor, New York.....July 8-
Dean: MRS. EDGAR SINGER, 1047 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort, Pennsylvania.

Supply Work *By* MRS. E. PAUL TODD, *Chairman*

"One cannot do a kindness too soon because one never knows how soon it may be too late."

ONCE a year the workers under the Woman's Division of Christian Service are asked to list some of the things that would be helpful to them —things which the women, youth, and children might find pleasure in sending. These lists are divided carefully among the different groups, so that these voluntary gifts will not be a burden to those who provide them. There are good reasons for asking for these lists and for dividing and distributing them. In the first place, the institutions get the things they need instead of a lot of unnecessary odds and ends, which are often sent in all kindness thinking they might be useful. Then, *all* of the institutions or workers will receive a portion of the gifts and not just those that have a popular appeal. If the total list were broadcast, one institution might be deluged with a single item sent from many different places.

We seek the cooperation of the workers in making up their lists *once only* during the year. If additional lists are sent direct to individuals or groups, it may mean that some other institution which may be in greater need of help will be neglected and receive nothing. The lists are checked by each executive secretary before they are distributed. Of course, there may be emergency needs which will require immediate attention but, if possible, think a year in advance when making the list of askings. We seek also the cooperation of the secretaries of Supply Work in the local societies trusting that they will present the needs in an enthusiastic manner, giving as much information as possible about the work in the particular institution or location. It has been proven over and over again that when a *need* is known there are many who will respond.

The lists for 1951-1952 should be ready for the local societies by June. Will you accept them gladly? A rich blessing is in store for all who assume a share of the responsibility, and those who receive the gifts will be most appreciative.

Methodist Student Day

By STANLEY H. MARTIN

Secretary, Department of Personnel and Scholarships, Board of Education

METHODIST Student Day gives you an opportunity to make a capital investment in a million-dollar business. All over America, Methodist churches will observe June 10 as Methodist Student Day and every dollar invested will make a stronger nation and a better church.

More than 65,000 students have borrowed from the Student Loan Fund since it was established by the Centenary of American Methodism in 1866, and some 2,700 National Methodist Scholarships have been awarded during the past five years. More than $10,000,000 has thus been made available to needy Methodist students, many of whom have already assumed significant positions of leadership throughout the church and community. This program of Loans and Scholarships is a million-dollar business in which you have an opportunity to help guide the destiny of thousands of young people.

You and your pastor hold strategic positions in your local church and upon you falls the responsibility of helping assure the leadership of the church and the education of its youth.

All funds for Student Loans and National Methodist Scholarships come from the Methodist Student Day offering that is contributed on the second Sunday in June in Methodist churches across the nation. Ninety per cent of the day's total receipts is set aside for National Methodist Scholarships, and 10 per cent is used to replenish the Student Loan Fund. Last year $147,603.90 was raised on Methodist Student Day, with approximately 50 per cent of our churches contributing. Under your aggressive leadership, this percentage will be greatly increased and the amount contributed more than doubled. It is imperative that every church in Methodism participate in this important work, and it is your responsibility to see that your church does its share.

Any Methodist student who is registered in an accredited college or university (except non-Methodist schools of theology) may secure a loan, providing he meets the necessary requirements. Freshmen may borrow $150.00, sophomores $200.00, juniors $250.00, and seniors $300.00. Graduate students may borrow a maximum of $300.00 annually, and seminary students $200.00. No students may borrow more than $1,000.00 throughout his educational career, and must repay the full amount of the loan with interest within a period of six years after completing work as a full-time student.

National Methodist Scholarship

There is a real possibility that a student from your church may secure one of these coveted awards. Candidates for National Methodist Scholarships must have a grade average of B or better, be outstanding in character, give promise of future leadership, be active in the program of the local church and campus religious groups, and be a member of The Methodist Church. A limited number of these awards are allocated to each of the approved Methodist schools, and recommendations are made to the Board of Education by the scholarship officers of those institutions. These awards cover tuitions and fees, up to $400.00, are not subject to repayment, and are renewable as long as the student remains a full-time student and maintains a high scholastic and activity rating.

Woman's Society secretaries of Student Work can render an invaluable service to their local churches by assuming personal responsibility for the promotion of Methodist Student Day on June 10. Your pastor has the major responsibility for initiating the activity, but he will welcome the suggestions and leadership of the secretary of Student Work, the church board of education, and church-school officials. It is important that every congregation be given an opportunity to contribute to this special offering that was officially established by the General Conference of The Methodist Church as indicated in paragraph 199 of the *Discipline*. The following suggestions will help guide you:

1. *Consult* your pastor about Methodist Student Day details.

2. *Assume* an active role on the Methodist Student Day committee.

3. *Discuss* local plans with officers of the Woman's Society.

4. *Help* solicit the cooperation of church young people in building your program.

5. *Urge* the Methodist Student Day committee to use Wesley Foundation and Methodist college students in making the appeal to the congregation.

6. *Encourage* your Methodist Student Day committee to be creative.

7. *Review* the packet of special literature that has been mailed to your pastor.

8. *Advise* church officials that they may select another Sunday for the observance of Methodist Student Day, if June 10 conflicts with your annual conference.

9. *See* that every effort is made to have the entire church membership informed regarding the significance and meaning of Methodist Student Day.

10. *Interpret* for your congregation the meaning of some of the facts underlying Methodist Student Loans and National Methodist Scholarships.

11. *Check* your church records to determine the amount contributed on Methodist Student Day in former years, and help establish a reasonable goal for this year.

12. Convince the members that this is an opportunity to "Invest in Youth —America's Greatest Resource."

CHILDREN'S WORK

RUBY VAN HOOSER, *Secretary*

Missionary Materials for Children

1951-52
EMPHASES:
Latin America
Home Missionaries at Work

AN airplane ride of a few hours will land us today in the midst of the twenty colorful republics, south of the Rio Grande, that make up Latin America. Among these countries of varied background and culture The Methodist Church has long been at work, sharing the message of Christ and helping meet the needs of the people. It is about these friends and neighbors to the south and with the work of the church among them that Methodist boys and girls will study during the year 1951-52.

In addition, Methodist children will also become familiar with the far-reaching activities of "Home Missionaries at Work" in their own country.

Developed around these two emphases, the missionary materials for 1951-52 are full of interest and challenge. The materials include the following units:

For Primary Children

Primary Group Graded Lessons, January, 1952.[1] This unit of four sessions for the Sunday church school will be concerned with an emphasis on Mexico. The pupils' material will be found in *The Primary Class,*[1] and the teacher's notes in *Child Guidance in Christian Living.*[1]

For Use in Additional Sessions

Meeting Friends in Latin America,* **by Clara P. Cockerille. A ten-session unit. Price, 50 cents.**

Or, *Davey in the Sandhills.** **A reading book by Anne M. Halladay. $1.25. Use with this *Primary Teacher's Guide* on "Home Missionaries at Work," by Elizabeth Allstrom. Price, 50 cents.**

For Junior Children

Junior Group Graded Lessons, January, 1952.[1] This unit of four sessions for the Sunday church school will deal with an emphasis on "Latin America." The pupils' material will appear in the *Junior Quarterly*[1] and the teachers' notes in *Child Guidance in Christian Living.*[1]

For Use in Additional Sessions

1. *Methodist Neighbors in Latin America,** **by Vesta Towner. A ten-session unit. Price, 50 cents.**

Or, *Hungry Hollow,** **a reading book by Anna Rose Wright. Price, $1.25. Use with this *A Junior Teacher's Guide* on "Home Missionaries at Work," * by Vesta Towner. Price, 50 cents.**

2. *Plans for Additional Sessions.* Two units will be found in this section of *Child Guidance in Christian Living.*[1] They are: "The Methodist Church in Brazil," January, 1952, and "Home Missionaries at Work," May, 1952.

After reading this list of children's materials, it will be apparent that in church schools where the *Group Graded Lessons* are used, missionary units for primary and junior children will occur in January, 1952. In churches following the *Closely Graded Courses,* primary boys and girls will engage in the study of missionary units during the winter quarter, while the same study for juniors will be carried out during the spring months.

Additional sessions of the church school should be planned by leaders in connection with the study of missionary units in January and also in April and May, using the materials that have been listed.

Supplementary Materials. Other missionary materials for the emphases for 1951-52 have been prepared by the Joint Commission on Missionary Education. Among these materials are:

Books: Manual. A Little Boy of Mexico,* **by Jeanette Perkins Brown. Simple text with illustrations. For kindergarten children. Price, 85 cents.**

The Children Downstairs,* **by Virginia Mazer. Reading book on "Latin America" for primaries. Price, $1.25.**

Off to Brazil,* **by Nina Millen. A reading book for juniors. Price, $1.25.**

Maps: The Methodist Church in Latin America.* **A large work map in color. Size 38 x 50 inches. Price to be announced.**

Picture Map of Mexico,* **by Janet Smalley. Illustrated work map. Size 38 x 50 inches with insert sheet. Price, 75 cents.**

Picture Map of the United States.* **Illustrated work map. Size 38 x 50 inches with insert sheet. Price, 75 cents.**

New Picture Set: Bedtime Around the World.* **Eight pictures with stories. Three colors. Size 10 x 20 inches. Price, $1.25.**

For information in regard to other materials that are available, leaders should consult the leaflet, *Missionary Materials for Use With Children, 1951-52.*[1]

[1] Order from The Methodist Publishing House serving your territory.

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Blossoming Growth

Many of you have written in appreciation of our magazines. Please remember that as a subscriber you may assist your local secretary of Literature and Publications to secure for your society a Certificate of Award for one-third increase in new combination subscriptions to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK this last year of the quadrennium.

THE soft May breezes are blowing, and those of us who have thought of asking, "How does my garden grow?" are beginning to see real results in blossoming growth.

So it is in life, for as someone has paraphrased, "By their books, ye shall know them." By our seed thoughts we exercise a real influence on others.

The young woman, whom you have so conscientiously cultivated, first because of your friendship, second because of her ability, and third because you so sincerely coveted her service for the building of Christ's kingdom, is probably now the president of your local society or the secretary of Promotion, or secretary of Missionary Education, or perchance serving in an outstanding capacity the district Woman's Society of Christian Service. To encourage further growth, we must foster her talents by careful cultivation with materials that are life giving.

What would be some of these materials to suggest when the opportunity presents itself?

First of all, I would place the *Prayer Calendar* (40 cents) in her hands, that she may know our missionaries and deaconesses and pray daily for them.

Then, I would secure *In Spirit and In Truth* (45 cents) in order that our young friend may realize that the quality of group worship is determined by the quality of the prayer life of leaders and participants. This book is a gem. It stimulates growth in personal ability to lead in worship. How great a joy it is to see our younger women joining the group of older people upon whom we can depend for a worship service which creates the right spirit and atmosphere for a good meeting!

Now I would give her Dr. Harold Bosley's *A Faith for Revolutionary Times* (45 cents) and *The World in Your Hands* (35 cents). Social issues challenge youth in a very special way and challenged they act; they grow, they blossom; but most important they help and share, and the kingdom of God grows and grows.

I would purchase and share the *Eleventh Annual Report of the Woman's Division* (50 cents). The challenging title, "All One Family," reminds us that "He hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth." Truly this *Annual Report* is a record of blossoming, of growth, of achievement. Methodist workers in our schools, hospitals, children's homes, rural and urban centers are planting seeds and reaping harvests. Yet there remains much to be done. After reading such a report of accomplishments, we may ask ourselves very earnestly what part we have played in this fruitage.

This *Annual Report* presents a great challenge, for as we read of progress we also read of needs and things we must do in the days ahead. The *Annual Report* is a necessary handbook for those who must make speeches, for it has a wealth of information relevant to the work. New officers and members benefit especially from reading the *Eleventh Annual Report,* which is now ready.

"The Earth Is the Lord's" is the theme for our new program and worship material[1] for the year 1951-52. Program fliers are available, listing the subject material for each month. May is the time of blossoming, but this theme with its stewardship emphasis reminds us that growth in His kingdom is not confined to warmer months, but is a year-round process.

Seedtime and harvest, planting, growing, and reaping—a continuous process and a most rewarding labor. What is your score as the laborer? Each reader of this page is a member of a Woman's Society of Christian Service. "What kind of society would my society be, if every member in it were just like me?"

[1] Program Packet, 60 cents. Program Material, 50 cents; 3 for $1.35. Worship Services, 15 cents; 10 for $1.35.

We—And the Women of India

V. A School for Brides

(*Continued from page 7*)

arts as knitting, child care, and plain sewing. They make all their own petticoats and blouses and take great pride in knitting sweaters for their husbands. It is not an easy life. They rise at 4:30. In addition to their housekeeping lessons, they raise vegetables and chickens, make dung cakes and dry them for fuel. They hold their classes on the porch, using its cement floor as their blackboard and washing it on Saturdays. The night we were there they were having *chappatis* (flat, pancakelike bread) and pumpkin curry for supper.

I wish I had time to tell you all the stories which Miss Sheldon and Miss Shanti Badri, her school principal, a graduate of our normal school in Jubbulpore, told me that night. About Maryam, for instance, and her husband Lazar, who made Christianity so attractive to her native village that they brought back a letter signed with more than a dozen thumbprints asking for a teacher for their children. About Surajwati, a brilliant young crippled girl, who, though rejected by her childhood husband, said, "I thank God that I was married to a Christian boy, even though he doesn't want me."

I wish, too, that you could have watched and listened with me as the girls sat on a mat in the verandah (also a garage for the jeep and station wagon) and sang "Jai Jesu" (Victory to Jesus) and other Christian songs, their bright, happy, keenly intelligent faces glowing in the lamplight. You would have thrilled and rejoiced with me in the knowledge that we all are a part of this dream Mabel Sheldon is bringing to fulfillment. Isn't it a satisfaction to know that somewhere in the world we are building instead of destroying, that lights are being kindled in Christian manhood and womanhood which, no matter how deep and terrible the blackout, can never be put out?

Status of Women

"In the Work of Her Hands are Infinite Riches"

On Friday, May 4, the General Department of United Church Women of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. are calling all their members to join together in the observance of May Fellowship Day. Secretaries of Status of Women will welcome the opportunity to cooperate in this observance.

The study concerns women at work. In announcing this study, Mrs. George B. Martin, chairman of Fellowship Day, said that 19 million women make up 30 per cent of the United States labor force at present and that 37 million women listed as "nonworkers" form a large source of labor which can be drawn on for defense.

"Ninety per cent," she added, "of all nurses, medical laboratory technicians, household employees, and telephone operators are women. So are the majority of office workers, retail clerks, teachers, restaurant and hotel workers. In the churches, women make up an army of workers—clerical, professional, and volunteer."

The study is most important to Methodist women's preparation for jurisdiction and conference summer schools emphasizing status of women. It is also important to any church woman who feels the need for safeguarding health and economic rights of women caught in the changing status of women in the industrial life of women today.

"It is not enough to declare large general principles on responsibility," Mrs. Martin said, "we must show our concern by action."

Emergency at Marcy!

Late in the afternoon of March 23, the hot-water heater exploded at Marcy Center, Chicago, Illinois, demolishing the surrounding basement area, the main office, the lobby, and the entrance. Furnace and boilers were wrecked; walls were knocked down; doors and windows blown out or off. The force of the explosion completely wrecked the elevator and shaft.

Fortunately no one was hurt; Miss Berta Engel, a commissioned worker who has been at Marcy for twenty-five years, had just left the office to go to her room. One woman was taken to the hospital, but was released that night after being treated for shock.

Usually at that time of the day, children, mothers, and young people are coming and going by the dozens. But since it was Good Friday, there were no activities; the building was closed. We are so thankful there was no loss of life or any personal injury.

Arrangements were made for the housing of the staff during this serious emergency. The extent of the damages and the cost of repairs are not known as yet, but the estimate runs into thousands of dollars. The program and services will have to be suspended for several weeks.

—Mrs. Mabel Garrett Wagner, *executive secretary, Bureau of Urban Work*

This emergency is an added reason to empty your treasury[1] and make the 15 per cent increase this year.

—Henrietta Gibson, *treasurer*

[1] See page 9.

The Agenda

THE COVER picture of Mrs. Harold M. Baker, president of Ohio Conference, is our salute to spring, to Mother's Day, and to National Family Week.

Officers' Training Day procedures are suggested on page 24. And speaking of officers, there is a reason for presenting this picture of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of the Union Methodist Church, Fall River, Massachusetts. It is because of age. They have a wide age range; and that is good.

Treasurer: On my recent long trek through the west and southwest (including Mexico!), I heard disturbing rumors that societies, here and there, were withholding money in the belief that it could not be sent to foreign fields. I am sure you will not let that happen in your society after reading the box on page 9.

Promotion: Advance goals: projects designated for Advance gifts, pages 8, 9; Missionary Personnel emphasis, pages 22, 23.

Missionary Education: Purse propaganda is a method I have used through the years. This is a good time to share it. Keep an interesting clipping or picture in your purse. When conversation lags or needs a change of subject, bring out the clipping with the remark: "Here is something that I just happen to have in my purse." Then talk enthusiastically about the subject.

File "I Thank You" (page 11) for the Latin America study, also "My First Impressions of Puerto Rico" (pages 4, 5).

On page 41, Mrs. Long mentions a rich resource of material for the study themes—the *Eleventh Annual Report.* And did you know about the library? See page 18. Will there be anyone from your society in any of the summer schools? See listing, pages 36-38.

Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities: You, too, could try the Purse Propaganda mentioned above in letting people know about the seminars and the emphasis of the department on United Nations. Pages 31, 32.

Wesleyan Service Guild: Read the above and do likewise for pages 33-35.

Student Work: What do you know about the Student Loan Fund? See page 39. Share Dr. Morgan's article, page 19, with students and their parents.

Youth Work: Suggest that pages 22, 23 be used at the Mother-Daughter banquet. Circulate Dr. Morgan's article, too, page 19.

Children's Work: Missionary materials, page 40. Read also, article, page 30.

Spiritual Life: Suggest that the prayers of the World Federation of Methodist Women units be used in the worship services.

Supply Work: How lists are compiled, page 38.

Status of Women: Many items of interest: The "School for Brides," page 6; "Miriams," page 12; notice of Fellowship Day, page 42; and an opportunity to cooperate in the service "Dedication of Talents," pages 25, 26.

Committee on Program: Dedication of Talents, pages 25, 26 should be used somewhere, sometime. Also the radio skit, "My Hobby Is Humanity," page 27.

Executive Committee, Woman's Society, Union Methodist Church, Fall River, Massachusetts

USED CLOTHING

Clothing should not be sent to the office of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, or to the new office address of Church World Service at 350 Broadway, New York City. There are no facilities in either of these offices for handling used clothing.

Church World Service is asking that all clothing be sent to the centers by parcel post or prepaid express. They have requested that there be sent with each package eight cents a pound to cover the cost of packing, shipping, and miscellaneous expenses. This request is necessary because all benevolent organizations cooperating with Church World Service are experiencing a decrease in income and are, therefore, not able to supply Church World Service with the necessary funds to finance these operations.

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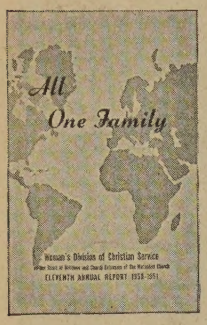

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